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Births.

BARNETT.—November 13, at her residence, Glenmore-road, Darling Point, the wife of Isaac Barnett, of a son.

BROINOWSKI.—December 9, at Fernbank, Edgecliffe-road, Woollahra, Mrs. Gracina J. Broinowski, of a son.

COLLINS.—December 15, at her residence, Hawthorne, Burwood, the wife of Chas. P. Collins, of a daughter.

LEMPRIERE.—December 3, at Summer Hill, the wife of William L. Lempriere, of a son.

MARTIN.—October 18, at her parents' residence, Wellington, the wife of George Martin, of a son.

SMALL.—December 12, at the Bank of New South Wales, Forbes, the wife of E. E. Small, of a son.

TRAILL.—December 15, at Deyra Doone, Burwood, the wife of Harold George Traill, of a son.

WILCOCKSON.—November 28, 1885, at her residence, Bong Bong-street, Kiama, the wife of Samuel Wilcockson, of a son.

Marriages.

TREBECK—THOMSON.—December 15, at Heather Brae, North Shore, by the Rev. A. Miller, M.A., Prosper, eldest son of P. N. Trebeck, to Jeanie, youngest daughter of Alex. Thomson.

Deaths.

CAMPBELL.—At Glen Innes, December 10, 1885, after a short illness, Robert Campbell, an early colonist, long resident in Melbourne, native of Argyleshire, N. B., aged 68 years.

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COGHLAN.—December 13, 1885, at her residence, 56, Bowman-street, Darlington, Margaret Coghlan, aged 53 years.

Dear mother, your memory I will cherish.

COKER.—December 13, at the residence of her parents, Cowper-street, Waverley, Marion Amber, dearly beloved infant daughter of William and Marian Coker, aged 11 months. Not lost, but gone before.

GOLDBERG.—December 16, at Nelson House, Wallis-street, Woollahra, Isadore, the beloved son of Abraham and Isabella Goldberg, aged 14 months. May his soul rest in peace.

LEGGO.—December 15, at her residence, Leinster-street, Paddington, Grace, the beloved wife of William Leggo, in her 71st year. Native of Cornwall, England.

MASON.—December 13, at the residence of J. M'Coy, Market-street, his beloved cousin, Maria Mason, aged 52 years.

Where then art gone, adieus and farewell is a word unknown.

SCOTT.—December 13th, at her residence, 41, Cumberland-street, Martha Matilda, wife of Lyall Scott, and daughter of the late James Pashley, in her 42nd year.

WALSH.—December 8, at the residence of her uncle, J. W. Wilson, Esq., J.P., The Lindens, West Kempsey, Harriet Caroline, second daughter of Mrs. Cecilia Walsh, Bellinger River, aged 19 years and 11 months. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing friends.

In Memoriam.

BARRY.—In loving remembrance of my dear husband, Thomas Barry, who departed this life on December 17, 1882.

JESSEP.—In loving remembrance of my dear husband, James Jessep, who departed this life December 15, 1884, aged 45, late of Goulburn. Not lost, but gone before.

Shipping.

ORIENT LINE OF STEAMERS.

NEW SOUTH WALES AND SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CONTRACT MAIL SERVICE.

The following Royal Mail Steamships, belonging to the ORIENT COMPANY and the PACIFIC COMPANY, will leave SYDNEY at 1 p.m. on the undermentioned dates, for PLYMOUTH and LONDON, via Melbourne, Adelaide, Diego Garcia (at company's option), the Suez Canal, calling at Naples:—

Ship.	Tons	Date.	Ship.	Tons	Date.
CHIMBORAZO	3847	Dec. 19	JOHN ELDER	4185	Feb. 27
POTOSI	4207	Jan. 2	AUSTRAL	5588	Mar. 13
ORIENT	5386	Jan. 16	CUZCO	3949	Mar. 27
GARONNE	3876	Jan. 30	LIGURIA	4038	Apl. 10
SORATA	4039	Feb. 13	IBERIA	4702	April 24

and fortnightly thereafter.

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PASSENGERS FROM LONDON.—Special facilities afforded for bringing on friends and relatives by prepayment of the passage-money here.

ENTIRE CABINS reserved on most liberal terms.

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EXCURSION RETURN TICKETS.

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Parcels are received at the Office of the Line, and are forwarded any address in the United Kingdom at the following rates:—

Up to 28lb. weight, 6d per lb. (minimum, 2s 6d)
Over 28lb. weight, 4d per lb. (minimum, 14s)

Steamer has the option of taking them by measurement, charging 3s 6d per cubic foot, or fraction of a foot.

R.M.S. POTOSI.—CONSIGNEES are requested to Pass ENTRIES at once for Company's Wharf, Circular Quay. The ship will not be responsible for any damage to or loss of cargo after it is landed on the wharf. All goods impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at the consignees' risk and expense. Bills of lading must be produced, freight paid, and delivery orders obtained from the undersigned before the delivery of the goods.

MANAGERS—F. GREEN and CO., and ANDERSON, ANDERSON, and CO., Fenchurch Avenue, London, E.C.

Full particulars on application to

G. SKELTON YUILL,
General Manager in Australia.

207, George-street.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

The Company's Steamships (under contract with the Victorian Government for the Conveyance of H. M. Mails) will be despatched as under from the Company's Wharf, at the Circular Quay, DIRECT TO PLYMOUTH and LONDON, via Colombo, calling at Melbourne, Glenelg, and King George's Sound:—

Steamer.	Tons.	Date.	Steamer.	Tons.	Date.
Carthage ...	5013	Dec. 24	Rome ...	5013	Mar. 5
Massilia ...	4908	Jan. 8	Shannon ...	4186	Mar. 19
Valetta ...	4911	Jan. 22	Parramatta ...	4753	April 2
Tasmania ...	4488	Feb. 5	Sutlej ...	4194	April 16
Coromandel ...	4500	Feb. 19	Kaisar-i-Hind ...	4028	April 28

and thenceforth every alternate week.

Rates of Passage Money to Plymouth or London:—£70 first and £40 second-class.

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SPECIAL RETURN TICKETS TO EUROPE.

Available 9 months—First-class, £105; second-class, £55.
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RESERVED ACCOMMODATION can be obtained on most moderate terms.

Passengers, cargo, and parcels are booked through to India, China, and Japan, to which places return passage tickets are granted at very favourable rate, giving passengers the option of breaking their journey en route.

For all information apply at the Company's Office, 247, George-street.

J. WEIR, Agent.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS AND SHIPPERS per R.M.S.S. CARTHAGE.

Owing to the date fixed by time table for the Departure of the R.M.S.S. Carthage falling on Christmas Day, PASSENGERS and Shippers are kindly requested to NOTE that this Steamer will SAIL from Sydney the PREVIOUS DAY (THURSDAY), at 1 p.m.

J. WEIR, Agent.

DIRECT SERVICE TO SAN FRANCISCO,

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The magnificent Steamers AUSTRALIA and ZEALANDIA will leave SYDNEY for SAN FRANCISCO DIRECT, via Honolulu, as under, without transhipment.

Steamer.	Tons.	Date of Departure.
ZEALANDIA ...	3200	Tuesday, 29th December, 4 p.m.
AUSTRALIA ...	3200	Tuesday, 26th January, 10 a.m.
ZEALANDIA ...	3200	Wednesday, 24th Feb., 4 p.m.
AUSTRALIA ...	3200	Wednesday, 24th March, 4 p.m.
ZEALANDIA ...	3200	Thursday, 22nd April, 4 p.m.

And Monthly thereafter.

Passengers are booked to San Francisco or through to European destination with special advantages, and have at San Francisco choice of the unrivalled Atlantic Steamship Lines of the Cunard, Inman, White Star, or other companies.

Passengers destined to any part of the United States or the provinces procure their railroad ticket at San Francisco.

All first-class passengers are allowed 350lb. of luggage to San Francisco, and 250lb. "Overland," free of charge.

THROUGH FARE TO LONDON.

FIRST-CLASS £66

and upwards, according to the selection to be made at San Francisco.

Time cards, railway maps, and guide books, showing all routes to any point in the United States, may be had on application.

For rates of passage and freight, and all other information, apply to

GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO.,
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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

DIRECT STEAM COMMUNICATION FROM SYDNEY TO MARSEILLES, via MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, MAURITIUS, and SUEZ CANAL.

BOOKING PASSENGERS THROUGH TO LONDON, OVERLAND, via MARSEILLES.

Steamers under postal contract with the Government of France. The service is carried on by powerful steamers of 4000 tons and 3000 effective h.p., built expressly for the Australian and New Caledonian line, which will be despatched as follows:—

Steamer.	Commander.	Leave Sydney at NOON.	Leave Melbourne at 1 p.m.
OCEANIEN ...	Didier ...	Dec. 29	January 2, 1886
SYDNEY ...	Feydenet ...	Jan. 26	Jan. 30
SALAZIE ...	Bullard ...	Feb. 23	Feb. 27

and thenceforth every 28 days.

Rates of passage money to Marseilles from £23 to £65, including table wines and the Suez Canal dues on passengers.

RETURN TICKETS issued at the following rates:—

	1st class.	2nd class.	3rd class.
Available 9 months ...	£105	£84	£40
Available 12 months ...	115	92	42

N.B.—Passengers' luggage conveyed free of cost from Marseilles to London. For freight, passage, and further particulars, apply at the Company's Office, 15, Macquarie-place.

A. CONIL, Principal Agent.

UNION STEAMSHIP COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND, Limited.

SAN FRANCISCO ROYAL MAIL SERVICE.

Overland Route to England via San Francisco and New York, calling at Auckland and Honolulu.

Under Contract with the Postmasters-General of New South Wales and New Zealand, the Company will despatch large and powerful steamers, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every FOURTH THURSDAY, at 4 p.m.

Steamer.	Leave Sydney.	Arrive San Francisco.
Alameda ...	31st Dec., at 4 p.m.	25th January, 1886.
Mariposa ...	28th January, 1886	22nd February.
Mararoa ...	25th February ...	22nd March.
Alameda ...	25th March ...	19th April.
Mariposa ...	22nd April ...	17th May.

Passengers adopting this route avoid the heat and discomfort of the Red Sea, and have the privilege of remaining at any or all ports en route, thus adding to the pleasure and value of the trip.

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Passengers are booked to San Francisco or through to European destinations with special advantages, and have at San Francisco choice of the unrivalled Atlantic Steamship Lines of the Cunard, Inman, White Star, and other companies.

Passengers destined to any part of the United States, or the provinces, procure their railroad ticket at San Francisco.

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FIRST-CLASS £66

and upwards, according to the selection to be made at San Francisco.

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Accommodation for passengers at reduced rates upon application to the Captain.

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Wool received at Central Stores.

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ROMA, 2727 tons, Captain H. M. Ingram, TUESDAY, 29th December.
DUKE OF WESTMINSTER, 3736 tons, Captain J. Waterman TUESDAY, 26th January, 1886.
MERKARA, 2971 tons, Captain G. Phillips, TUESDAY, 23rd February, 1886.

Passengers by this route have the advantage of visiting the Queensland ports, and can leave Sydney by any of the steamers of the Queensland Steam Shipping Company, embarking on board the British-India steamer at Brisbane, Townsville, Cooktown, or Thursday Island.

The magnificent scenery, smooth-water passage, and the frequent opportunities afforded to travellers to break the monotony of a long sea voyage by visiting Batavia and other interesting ports of call, offer great inducements to passengers.

The steamers are fitted with all the latest improvements, and the accommodation and table attendance is unrivalled.

The agents now issue passenger tickets on the following moderate scale:—

Saloon, Sydney to London	£53	0	0
*Second Class	36	10	0
*Third Class	20	0	0
Saloon, return (available for 12 months) ...	85	0	0

Through passages issued to Padang, Samarang, Sourabaya, Macassar, Singapore, and other ports in the Eastern Archipelago, exchanging at Batavia to the fine steamers of the Netherlands-India S. N. Company.

*Should sufficient inducement offer.

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Agents, Bridge-street.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., Limited.

FOR LONDON FOR THE MARCH WOOL SALES.

The magnificent full-powered Steamship DUKE OF ARGYLL, 3115 tons,

will be despatched from Sydney, via Queensland Ports, on 6th January, 1886. A limited space has been reserved for shippers from this port, for which early application is requested.

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The splendid steamer KHANDALLA, 2046 tons, R. D. Dougharty commander, will be despatched as above on or about 3rd JANUARY, 1886.

This vessel offers a favourable opportunity to shippers of horses to Calcutta, or of cargo to Java ports, without transhipment.

Has unsurpassed accommodation for first and second-class passengers, and passengers and cargo will be carried at reduced rates.

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QUEENSLAND STEAM SHIPPING COMPANY, Limited.

The STEAMERS of this Company will be despatched from the Company's Wharf, foot of Margaret-street, to the undermentioned Ports, as follows:—

	WARREGO.	MARANOA.	ARCHER.
BRISBANE, &c.	December 22.	December 29.	Jan. 6, 1886.
a MARYBOROUGH	ditto	ditto	ditto
a BUNDABERG	ditto	ditto	ditto
b ROCKHAMPTON.	ditto	ditto	ditto
b MACKAY ...	ditto	ditto	ditto
BOWEN ...	ditto	ditto	ditto
TOWNSVILLE ...	ditto	ditto	ditto
c DUNGENESS ...	ditto	ditto	ditto
c MOURILYAN ...	ditto	ditto	ditto
c JOHNSTONE RIV.	ditto	ditto	ditto
CAIRNS ...	ditto	ditto	ditto
PORT DOUGLAS ...	ditto	ditto	ditto
COOKTOWN ...	ditto	ditto	ditto
THURSDY. ISLND.	MARANOA,	December 29,	transhipping
NORMANTON ...		at Cooktown.	

a Passengers for Maryborough and Bundaberg transhipped at Brisbane.

b Passengers and perishable Cargo taken from Rockhampton for transhipment at Keppel Bay.

c Passengers and cargo for Dungeness, Cardwell, Mourilyan Harbour, and Johnstone River transhipped at Townsville.

Passengers booking on board will be charged 5s extra.

Cargo received daily and up to one hour before sailing time.

Steerage passengers victualled and supplied with bedding.

For all particulars of freight and passage apply to

BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Limited, Agents,
10, Bridge-street.

QUEENSLAND STEAM SHIPPING COMPANY, Limited.

The fine, magnificent, full-powered Steamship WARREGO,
R. M. PHILLIPS, Commander,

will be despatched for BRISBANE, ROCKHAMPTON (passengers only), MACKAY, BOWEN, TOWNSVILLE, CAIRNS, PORT DOUGLAS, and COOKTOWN, taking passengers for Maryborough and Bundaberg, for transhipment at Brisbane and for Dungeness, Cardwell, Mourilyan Harbour, and Johnstone River, for transhipment at Townsville, on

TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 5 p.m.,

affording those who are desirous of spending their Christmas in Brisbane an opportunity of arriving there the day previous.

The WARREGO is one of the Company's finest boats, and is noted for the COMFORT of her saloon and the excellence of her table.

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BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Limited, Agents,
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STEAM TO MELBOURNE and GEELONG.—The undersigned will despatch their steamers from their wharf as under (when practicable):—

FOR MELBOURNE.

CORANGAMITE ...	P. Le Neven ...	SATURDAY, December 19, at noon.
WENDOUREE ...	J. A. Roberts ...	TUESDAY, December 22, at noon.
BURRUMBEET ...	W. H. Emmerson	SATURDAY, December 26, at noon.
NEMESIS	W. F. Deary ...	TUESDAY, December 29, at noon.

FOR GEELONG.

WENDOUREE ...	J. A. Roberts ...	TUESDAY, December 22, at noon.
NEMESIS	W. F. Deary ...	TUESDAY, December 29, at noon.

Cargo received for above ports every day.

HUDDART, PARKER, and CO.,
Foot of Margaret-street.

STEAM TO MELBOURNE.

The Magnificent New Steel Steamship CORANGAMITE,
PHILLIP LE NEVEU, Commander,
(Sister ship to the Burrumbeet),

The two largest steamships engaged in the intercolonial trade, Will sail from Huddart, Parker's Wharf ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, at 12 o'clock noon.

The Burrumbeet and Corangamite are admitted to be unrivalled on the Australian coast for comfort, elegance, and promenade deck space. The saloons are of exquisite design, the full width of the ships; the ELECTRIC LIGHT is installed throughout the vessels, and passengers enjoy all the comforts of the largest ocean-going steamships. The FORE CABINS of these ships are worthy of inspection, being cleanly, lofty, and well-ventilated with perfect sanitation. Fore cabin passengers found in food and beds.

FARES.

Saloon, £2; return, £3 10s. Fore cabin, 15s.
Return tickets available for 6 months.

HUDDART, PARKER, and CO.,
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FOR SALE, 18-feet centreboard BOAT, gear complete, bargain £18. Boat, Herald Office.

THE AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY intend despatching their steamers to the following ports, viz.:—

MELBOURNE ...	Katoomba ...	...	Saturday, noon
Ditto ...	Cintra ...	...	Tuesday, 10 a.m.
ADELAIDE (direct)	Tenterden ...	...	This day, noon
NOUMEA WHARF	Rockton ...	...	Wednesday, 5 p.m.
SUVA (Fiji) ...	Rockton ...	...	Wednesday, 5 p.m.
LEVUKA (Fiji) ...	Rockton ...	...	Wednesday, 5 p.m.
BRISBANE ...	Ranelagh ...	...	Friday, 3 p.m.
Ditto ...	Wentworth ...	...	Saturday, 1 p.m.
Ditto ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
Ditto ...	Eurimbla ...	...	Wednesday, 3 p.m.
MARYBOROUGH ...	Ranelagh ...	...	Friday, 3 p.m.
BUNDABERG ...	Ly-ee-moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
GLADSTONE ...	Steamer ...	...	Daily
ROCKHAMPTON ...	Ranelagh ...	...	Friday, 3 p.m.
Ditto ...	Wentworth ...	...	Saturday, 1 p.m.
Ditto ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
Ditto ...	Eurimbla ...	...	Wednesday, 3 p.m.
PORT MACKAY ...	Wentworth ...	...	Saturday, 1 p.m.
Ditto ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
ROWEN ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
TOWNSVILLE ...	Wentworth ...	...	Saturday, 1 p.m.
Ditto ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
DUNGENESS ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
CARDWELL ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
MOURILYAN ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
JOHNSTONE RIV'R	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
CAIRNS ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
CAIRNS WHARF ...	Wentworth ...	...	Saturday, 1 p.m.
PORT DOUGLAS ...	Wentworth ...	...	Saturday, 1 p.m.
Ditto ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
COOKTOWN ...	Ly-ee-Moon ...	...	Tuesday, 1 p.m.
THURSDAY ISL'D	Katoomba ...	...	Sat'y., 20, 10 a.m.
NORMANTON ...			
BURKETOWN ...			

N.B.—Steerage passengers are provided with bedding and victualled.

All passengers' tickets issued on board the steamers will be charged 5s in excess of the ordinary rates.

Return saloon tickets available 6 months.

Passengers by this line are taken direct to the wharf at Melbourne, not transhipped in the bay.

FREDK. H. TROUTON, Manager.

WM. HOWARD SMITH and SONS' (Ltd.) LINE of FAST INTERCOLONIAL STEAMERS.

The undersigned will despatch their STEAMERS (when practicable) as follows, from STRUTH'S WHARF and the NEW WHARF, foot of KING-STREET:—

FOR MELBOURNE.

GABO	W. Donaldson	TO-MORROW, 12 noon
LEURA	J. Pain ...	SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 11 a.m.
GAMBIER	R. Brown ...	TUESDAY, Dec. 22, 12 noon
BUNINYONG ...	J. D. Joy ...	THURSDAY, Dec. 24, 12 noon

FOR CIRCULAR HEAD, EDEN BAY, TABLE CAPE, RIVER MERSEY, &c., Launceston.

LEURA	J. Pain ...	SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 11 a.m.

FOR ADELAIDE, Via MELBOURNE.

GAMBIER	R. Brown ...	TUESDAY, Dec. 22, 12 noon
CHEVIOT	F. Strickland ...	TUESDAY, Dec. 29, 12 noon

FOR BRISBANE.

BARRABOOL ...	H. B. Bristow ...	SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 1 p.m.
RODONDO	E. J. Boult ...	TUESDAY, Dec. 22, 4 p.m.
LEURA	J. Pain ...	SATURDAY, Dec. 26, 1 p.m.

FOR MARYBOROUGH.

BARRABOOL ...	H. B. Bristow ...	SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 1 p.m.
RODONDO	E. J. Boult ...	TUESDAY, Dec. 22, 4 p.m.
LEURA	J. Pain ...	SATURDAY, Dec. 26, 1 p.m.

FOR ROCKHAMPTON.

BARRABOOL ...	H. B. Bristow ...	SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 1 p.m.
RODONDO	E. J. Boult ...	TUESDAY, Dec. 22, 4 p.m.
LEURA	J. Pain ...	SATURDAY, Dec. 26, 1 p.m.

FOR MACKAY, TOWNSVILLE, DUNGENESS, CARDWELL, MOURILYAN HARBOUR, GERALDTON, RUSSELL RIVER, and PLANTATION CREEK.

BARRABOOL ...	H. B. Bristow	SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 1 p.m.

Cargo received for above ports every day. Fore-cabin passengers supplied with bedding and victualled free.

All passengers' tickets issued on board the steamers will be charged 5s in excess of the ordinary rate.

Return tickets are available for six months.

Excursion tickets at reduced rates are now issued to Tasmanian ports.

For further particulars apply to

WM. HOWARD SMITH and SONS, Limited
70, York-street.

STEAM TO MELBOURNE.

The magnificent new steel steamship GABO, 2000 tons,
Commander W. Donaldson,
will leave the NEW WHARF, FOOT of KING-STREET, TO-MORROW, December 18, 12 noon.

The attention of the public is invited to this splendid vessel (sister ship to the Buninyong), which is one of the largest steamers owned in Australia. Full advantage has been taken of latest improvements in passenger steamships to make the GABO one of the most comfortable and luxurious vessels on the Australian coast.

Her SALOON occupies the full width of the ship; the large STATEROOMS contain only TWO BERTHS each; the ELECTRIC LIGHT is fitted throughout, and her roomy deck affords a commodious promenade for passengers.

For freight and passage, apply to

WM. HOWARD SMITH and SONS, Limited,
70, York-street.

REDUCED FARES TO MELBOURNE.

The PASSENGER FARES to MELBOURNE, per S.S. LEURA, leaving STRUTH'S WHARF, SATURDAY, December 19, at 11 a.m., will be REDUCED as follows:—

SALOON ... ... TWO POUNDS
STEERAGE ... ... FIFTEEN SHILLINGS.

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STEAM TO BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH, ROCKHAMPTON, MACKAY, TOWNSVILLE, DUNGENESS, CARDWELL, MOURILYAN HARBOUR, GERALDTON, RUSSELL RIVER, and PLANTATION CREEK.

The fast and favourite S.S. BARRABOOL

will be despatched from the NEW WHARF, foot of King-street, for the above ports, transhipping at Brisbane, SATURDAY, December 19, at 1 p.m.

No goods received for shipment after 12 o'clock noon.

The undersigned have now arranged the movements of their steamers so that passengers for Queensland can call successively at all Northern Ports as far as Townsville. Steamers leaving Brisbane on Wednesdays call at MARYBOROUGH, ROCKHAMPTON, MACKAY, and TOWNSVILLE.

Passengers by these steamers may rely upon A SMOOTH PASSAGE north of Brisbane, as they will go inside of Fraser's Island, thus AVOIDING BREAKSEA SPIT, and the discomfort which going round the Spit involves. PASSENGERS for ROCKHAMPTON also are taken up to the town, thus AVOIDING the ANNOYANCE and DELAY of TRANSHIPPING into a STEAM LAUNCH in Keppel Bay.

At TOWNSVILLE the steamers are berthed at the TOWNSVILLE JETTY, from which passengers can WALK INTO TOWN. STOCK and CARGO can also be landed with the least possible risk of damage.

FOR PASSENGERS the excellent accommodation provided in the BARRABOOL is well and favourably known.

For freight and passage apply to

WM. HOWARD SMITH and SONS, Limited,
70, York-street.

WEEKLY STEAM SERVICE TO ADELAIDE.

The undersigned beg to announce that they have arranged to commence in December a WEEKLY STEAM SERVICE between SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, and ADELAIDE (without transhipment).

PASSENGERS for Adelaide will be allowed to break the journey at Melbourne; and RETURN TICKETS will be available for SIX MONTHS.

CARGO between above ports will not now be subjected to transhipment.

The favourite steamer GAMBIER will leave TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, at noon, and other Steamers will leave Sydney every TUESDAY regularly.

For freight or passage, apply

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TEKAPO, 2350 tons, FRIDAY, December 18th, at 6 p.m., for Wellington, Lyttelton, and Port Chalmers, transhipping to outports.

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FREDK. W. JACKSON, Manager.

TASMANIAN STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

SUMMER EXCURSION RETURN TICKETS are now being issued, available for three months, to and from

HOBART—Saloon, £7; Steerage, £5
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FOR HOBART—S. ESK 17th December, at noon.
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FOR LAUNCESTON—S. CORINNA, 17th and 31st December at 10 a.m.

For full particulars apply to

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TASMANIAN S. N. CO.'S STEAMERS will leave the COMPANY'S JETTY at GRAFTON WHARF—

For LAUNCESTON DIRECT:
S. CORINNA, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 10 a.m.

For HOBART, via EDEN:
S. ESK, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at noon.
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No cargo received within one hour of sailing.

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The TASMANIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY will issue Return Tickets at Single Fares between EDEN AND SYDNEY, available from 15th December, 1885, to 15th January, 1886.

T. and W. WILLIS, Agents.

ILLAWARRA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMERS

WOLLONGONG—Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, at 11 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, at 10 a.m.; Saturday, at noon. Passengers only.
KIAMA—Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, at 11 p.m.
SHOALHAVEN—Tuesday and Friday, at 11 p.m.
ULLADULLA—Friday, at 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m.
CLYDE RIVER—Friday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m.
BATEMAN'S BAY—Friday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m.
MORUYA—Friday, 11 p.m.
MERIMBULA—Wednesday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m. Saturday, noon; cargo, 11 a.m.
TATHRA, for Bega—Wednesday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m. Saturday, noon; cargo, 11.
EDEN—Wednesday, 10 a.m.; cargo, 8 a.m. Saturday, noon; cargo, 11.
BERMAGUI—Saturday, at noon. Passengers only.

ILLAWARRA S. N. COMPANY.

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS.

CABIN TICKETS at a SINGLE FARE for the DOUBLE JOURNEY will be issued by this Company, available between Sydney and the undermentioned ports, viz.:—

WOLLONGONG, KIAMA, and SHOALHAVEN, from MONDAY, 21st December, to TUESDAY, 5th January; ULLADULLA, CLYDE, BATEMAN'S BAY, and MORUYA, from FRIDAY, 18th December, to TUESDAY, 19th January; MERIMBULA, TATHRA, and EDEN, from SATURDAY, 19th December, to WEDNESDAY, 13th January. All the above dates inclusive.

Passengers are Victualled free of charge.

NEWCASTLE STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Limited.

STEAM TO NEWCASTLE, MORPETH, AND RAYMOND TERRACE.

From Lime-street Wharf, foot of Erskine-street:
THIS NIGHT, THURSDAY, at 11, the SYDNEY.
TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) NIGHT, at 11, the NEWCASTLE.
On SUNDAY NIGHT, at 11, the NEWCASTLE.

Clarence Town cargo received daily. Freight payable Sydney. No cargo received after 4 p.m.

Passengers can procure tickets and secure Deck Cabin and Ordinary Berths at the Office, Lime-street, and Branch Office, York-street, next Opera House, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Parcels will be received and small packages luggage may be left at the Branch Office up to 5 p.m.

H. D. PORTUS, Manager.

NEWCASTLE, MORPETH, RAYMOND TERRACE, &c.

HUNTER RIVER NEW S. N. CO.'S STEAMERS from Wharf, foot of Market-street, Sydney.

THIS NIGHT, THURSDAY, at 11, the NAMOI.
THIS NIGHT, THURSDAY, (taking Morpeth cargo only), the LURRA.
TO-MORROW NIGHT, FRIDAY, at 11, the MAITLAND.

Cargo for Newcastle, Morpeth, Raymond Terrace, and Clarence Town received and forwarded every day.

Goods will not be received after 4 p.m.

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F. J. THOMAS, Manager.

Offices { 353, George-street. 147, Sussex-street.

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The Hunter River New S.N. Company's steamer NAMOI,
from Newcastle to Sydney, on
SUNDAY NIGHT, at 11.

H. J. THOMAS,
Manager.

GOSFORD, BRISBANE WATER.

Steamers DEFIANCE and PROMISE
leave Sydney, King-street Wharf.—Defiance, 8.30 a.m.; Promise, 1.30 p.m.. No. 4 Jetty—9 a.m., 2 p.m.
Leave Gosford—Promise, 8.30 a.m.; Defiance, 2 p.m.
RETURN FARES:
Cabin, 3s single, 4s 6d return; Steerage, 2s single, 3s return.
Return tickets available either steamers.
N.B.—The Defiance is fast, and has a commodious deck cabin, and steward and stewardess are carried.
The Promise is well known as a fast boat, and, being of light draught, may be relied upon (as is the Defiance) for the regularity of her trips.
The Albatross (the fastest boat yet employed in the Sydney and Gosford trade) will shortly resume her running on the line.
Note.—These steamers are the only ones running at REDUCED FARES.

C. E. JEANNERET.

King-street, November 10, 1885.

FOR PEAT'S FERRY.—The fast and commodious steamship MARRAMARRA leaves Patent Slip Wharf at 9.30 a.m. Cargo received all day. Freights payable in Sydney.

MELVEY and FORD.

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The S.S. CHARLOTTE PENWICK leaves Patent Slip Wharf at 8.30 a.m., and No. 2 Jetty, Circular Quay, at 9 a.m. daily, leaving Gosford on the return trip at 2 p.m., giving passengers about two hours in Gosford, and landing them in Sydney at about 5 p.m.

SPECIAL TRIPS on SUNDAYS at excursion rates, leaving Patent Slip Wharf at 8.30 a.m., calling at Darling-

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL.
Under the direction of Messrs.
WILLIAMSON, GARNER, and MUSGROVE.

Lessee ... Mr. S. Lazar. Treasurer ... Geo. L. Goodman.
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Stage Manager ... ... Mr. John Wallace.

UNPARALLELED SUCCESS
of
WILLIAMSON, GARNER, and MUSGROVE'S
Royal
COMIC OPERA COMPANY.

LAST NIGHTS (THE MIKADO
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NOTICE.
The success, par excellence, of all the works of Messrs. Gilbert and Sullivan will be withdrawn after TEN MORE REPRESENTATIONS. The Box Plan for the remaining nights is now open. Intending visitors are respectfully requested to BOOK AT ONCE, in order to PREVENT DISAPPOINTMENT, the demand for seats being greater than the Theatre accommodation affords.

THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING, AT 8 O'CLOCK,
THE MIKADO
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Admission: Dress circle, 5s; stalls, 3s; family circle, 2s.
Tickets for all parts of the house at Eastway's Hotel. Box plan open at the Theatre daily from 10 till 5. NO FREE LIST.

THEATRE ROYAL.
V. R.

VICE-REGAL COMMAND NIGHT
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The Directors take much pride in announcing that
HIS EXCELLENCY LORD CARRINGTON
has been pleased to Command a Performance of
THE MIKADO
THE MIKADO
to be given in his presence on
FRIDAY EVENING NEXT, DECEMBER 18,
when
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR will be accompanied by
LADY CARRINGTON and Suite.

VICE-REGAL COMMAND NIGHT.
THEATRE ROYAL.
A few of the BEST SEATS in the front row, and centre of the house, adjoining the Governor's box, can only now be obtained at Foster's Hotel, Castlereagh-street, next Theatre Royal.

ALHAMBRA MUSIC HALL,
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Proprietor and Manager ... ... Mr. Frank Smith.
TO-NIGHT, The Home of Minstrelsy and Mirth. TO-NIGHT.
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IMMENSE SUCCESS, IMMENSE SUCCESS,
of the Alhambra Variety and Specialty Union in the Refined
TO-NIGHT, Entertainment. TO-NIGHT,
the strongest Combination of Variety Artists in the Colonies.
TO-NIGHT, Refinement without Vulgarity. TO-NIGHT.
Nothing indecent to offend the sight or ear of the most sensitive.
Crowded audiences nightly testify to the excellence of the Entertainment. Admission: Orchestra chairs, 3s; stalls, 1s; balcony, 1s.
In active preparation, "King Cockatoo; or, the Enchanted Elephant," an entirely new and original Extravaganza, by Leopold Jordan, Esq.

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Lessee and Manager ... ... Mr. M. L. Raphael.
Stage Manager ... ... Mr. Darcy Stanfield.
LAST NIGHT BUT TWO of the
OLYMPIC BURLESQUE COMPANY.
TO-NIGHT, THURSDAY, December 17,
Last Night of the Famous Burlesque.
Last Night. ORPHEUS ORPHEUS. Last Night.
The Great and Novelty COURT CARDS AT HOME.
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18,
THE MAID AND THE MAGPIE.
Saturday, Last Appearance of the Burlesque Company, Great Bill.
Boxing Night, Saturday, December 26, magnificent production of the Drury-lane grand Christmas pantomime, MOTHER GOOSE.
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H. TREVORAH, Business Manager.

LYNCH FAMILY BELLRINGERS.
Organised 1867.
Nimitybelle, 17th December; Bombala, 18th, 19th; Candelo, 21st; Bega, 22nd and 23th December.

TO-NIGHT, TO-NIGHT.
A GRAND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT by the
Children of the School of Progressive Lyceum,
will take place THIS EVENING,
at West's Academy, 251, Castlereagh-street,
near Liverpool-street.
to commence with an operette entitled
"THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS."
To be followed with the
MAY-POLE DANCE
in which the children will appear in
FANCY COSTUMES
(made expressly for the purpose).
To conclude with the operette of
"SILVERWING, THE QUEEN OF THE FAIRIES."
Doors open at half-past 7, commence at 8 o'clock,
Admission—Front seats 3s, back ditto 1s.

SYDNEY PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.
Conductor: Mons. HENRI KOWALSKI.
Handel's sublime masterpiece,
THE MESSIAH,
will be rendered by this Society, assisted by the best professional talent available in the colonies,
on
CHRISTMAS EVENING,
at the
EXHIBITION BUILDING.
Principals:
Mrs. ARMSTRONG (from Melbourne)
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Mr. FRANK DOYLE
Mr. F. J. HALLEWELL.
Tickets, 5s each, to be had at all the principal music warehouses.
Doors open at 7.30; commence at 8 o'clock.
Entrance for public at southern door.
Carriages may be ordered for 10.30 p.m.
JOHN LIGGINS, Hon. Sec.

PUBLIC NOTICE.
THE PICTURE GALLERY
at
MONCUR LODGE, POTTS POINT,
WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC DAILY
from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Sundays excepted).
*** CARDS TO VIEW OBTAINABLE FROM THE UNDERSIGNED.
*** The valuable collection of pictures contained in this private gallery will be sold by auction, by order of the representatives of the late W. Wallis, Esq., on an early day in January next.
BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB,
Spring-street.

GRAND FANCY BAZAAR,
in aid of
CHRIST CHURCH, ST. LEONARDS.
LADY CARRINGTON
has kindly consented to OPEN the BAZAAR
at 3 o'clock
THIS AFTERNOON,
the 17th INSTANT,
at the
TOWN HALL,
George-street, Sydney.
It will be continued for the two following days,
FRIDAY and SATURDAY.
The various stalls will be found replete with an assortment of useful and ornamental articles suitable for
CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS,
LADIES' WORK,
EXQUISITE CHRISTMAS CARDS,
FERNS and FLOWERS.
The following ladies and gentlemen will take part in the concert to-night, at the Town Hall, under the direction of Montague Youngar, Esq.:—
Miss GLENDENNING
Miss SHERIDAN READ
Miss PALMER
Mr. T. RAINFORD
Mr. W. T. BAKER
Mr. CHAS. W. EWING
Mr. ALBERT FISHER
and other artists, professional and amateur, will take part.
The instruments to be used are kindly lent by Messrs. Paling and Co.
Vocal and Instrumental MUSIC during the evenings, under the direction of Montague Youngar, Esq.
Admission to the opening ceremony and during the afternoon, 2s 6d; admission at night and following days, 1s; children half-price.
Door open from 2.30 to 6 p.m., and from 7 to 10 o'clock p.m.

ST. MARY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL, WAVERLEY.
A
BAZAAR
in aid of
the
BUILDING FUND
will be
OPENED
in the
NEW SCHOOLROOM,
THIS DAY, Thursday,
at 3 p.m.,
and continued on
FRIDAY and SATURDAY.
A large Assortment of useful and Fancy Articles, Pot Plants, &c., will be sold at reasonable prices.
There will also be a
PROMENADE CONCERT
each evening, commencing at 8 o'clock.

ST. PETER'S, WOOLLOOMOOLOO.
A MAGIC LANTERN ENTERTAINMENT will be given in St. Peter's Schoolroom, on MONDAY EVENING, 21st instant, at a quarter to 8 o'clock. Admission, 6d; children, 3d.
A. C. SMITHERS, Hon. Sec.

CARRINGTON HEIGHTS, Randwick.—Grand Views. Sale next SATURDAY. RICHARDSON and WRENCH.
SUMMER HILL.—Good SITES, next SATURDAY; easy terms. RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

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Lessee ... ... J. Solomon
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Notwithstanding which it can only be repeated for
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Mr. FRANK THORNTON, as
THE REV. ROBERT SPALDING, will bid
FAREWELL TO SYDNEY.
Mr. J. R. GREVILLE has been specially engaged to support Mr. FRANK THORNTON this season, together with
SPECIALLY-SELECTED CAST.
SPECIAL NOTICE.—As these will positively be the last representations of THE PRIVATE SECRETARY and the last appearance of Mr. Frank Thornton in Sydney, intending visitors will PLEASE BOOK SEATS AT ONCE at Nicholson's Music Warehouse, George-street, TO PREVENT DISAPPOINTMENT. Admission, 5s, 3s, and 2s. Box Plan at Nicholson's, George-street.
H. MUSGROVE, Treasurer.

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Remember! Last Night but Six
of
THE PRIVATE SECRETARY
and Farewell of
Mr. FRANK THORNTON.

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XMAS FESTIVAL.
Re-appearance of the
DAMPIER COMBINATION.
BOXING NIGHT,
A XMAS CAROL,
THE CRICKET ON THE HEARTH,
by Charles Dickens.
Full particulars in future advertisements.

NEW MASONIC HALL.
THIS EVENING.
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17.
Mr. HALLEWELL'S CONCERT.
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PART I.
1. Glee, "Awake, Æolian Lyre" ... ... Danby
Mr. HALLEWELL'S GLEE PARTY.
2. Duet, "O Man of God" (from Elijah") ... Mendelssohn
Miss CHAPMAN and Mr. ANDREW FAIRFAX
3. Song, "It is Enough" (from "Elijah") ... Mendelssohn
Mr. HALLEWELL.
Violoncello Obligato by Mr. Quin.
4. Song, "Judith" (first time in Sydney) ... ... Concone
Mrs. F. J. RILEY.
5. Motet—"Methinks I Hear the Full Celestial Choir" ... ... Dr. Crotch
Mr. HALLEWELL and GLEE PARTY.
6. Song—"I Love Her" (written expressly for this concert) ... ... J. A. Delany
Mr. HINCHY.
7. Pianoforte Solo { a. Nocturne — "Sollitude" ... ... ; b. Galop—"Ventre à Terre" ... ... } Kowalski
Mons. HENRI KOWALSKI.
8. Tenor Solo, humming accomt— { a. "I saw Thee Weep" Kendall ; b. Part Song—"The Old Brigade" ... ... O. Barri
METROPOLITAN LIEDERTAFEL.
Interval of Ten Minutes.
PART II.
1. Madrigal—"Flora Gave Me Fairest Flowers" (1596) ... ... Wilbye
GLEE PARTY.
2. Song—"Fairyland" (written for Mr. Hallewell) ... ... Hector R. M'Lean
Mr. HALLEWELL.
3. Glee—"When Winds Breathe Soft" ... Webbe
GLEE PARTY.
4. Song—"Love the Pilgrim" ... ... Blumenthal
Miss MOUNTCASTLE.
5. Trio, "O Memory" ... ... Leslie.
Misses KEAN and Mr. BARRETT.
6. Song, "The Golden Thread" (first time in Sydney) ... ... Gounod.
Miss COWLEY.
7. Duet, "O Maritana" ... ... Wallace.
Miss MOUNTCASTLE and Mr. H. PIER.
8. Song, "Sir Marmaduke" (first time in Sydney) ... ... Angelina.
Mr. HALLEWELL.
9. Serenade, "Sleep, Gentle Lady" ... ... Sir H. Bishop.
GLEE PARTY.
NATIONAL ANTHEM by the COMPANY.
SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.
The Prices of Admission have been fixed as follows:—
RESERVED SEATS,
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The SPLENDID GALLERY and BACK SEATS,
TWO SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.
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HARRY J. SAMUELL,
Manager.

MR. HALLEWELL will not teach TO-DAY, THURSDAY.

MR. HALLEWELL'S CONCERT.—Rehearsal, New Masonic Hall, THIS DAY, half-past two o'clock.

SOUDAN ENCAMPMENT.
EXHIBITION BUILDING.
TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT.
Still we pursue our
TRIUMPHANT CAREER.
Entwined in garlands woven by success, we have entered on our
FOURTH WEEK.
Doors open from 7 until 10.30 p.m.
ONE SHILLING FORD and HERBERT'S MARIONETTES
ONE SHILLING MARIONETTES.
ONE SHILLING Also the
ONE SHILLING MIKADO MINSTRELS.
RICHARDSON'S SHOW.
TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT.
THE MIKADO MINSTRELS.
NEW PROGRAMME TO-NIGHT.
Leader, J. O'Connell. Pianist, A. Farley.
Interlocutor, W. Wesley.
Bones, A. Adson. Tambo, C. Horton.
At 8.30 p.m.—FIRST PART.
Overture—"Commodore" ... ... Company
Comic Song—"Take Me in Your Arms" ... ... C. Horton
Ballad—"Chiming Bells" ... ... F. Phillips
Martial Song—"Gallants of England" ... ... A. Farley
Comic Song—"Mary M'Guiness" ... ... A. Adson
Ballad—"Sad Sea Waves" ... ... W. Wesley.
GRAND FINALE. "COMPULSORY EDUCATION," by the Entire Company.
At 9.15 p.m.—SECOND PART.
Duet—"Larboard Watch" ... ... W. Wesley and A. Farley
Pedestal Dance ... ... A. Adson
Topical Duet ... ... W. Wesley and C. Horton
Ballad ... ... F. Phillips.
At 9.45 p.m.—THIRD PART.
The Mirth Provoking FARCE, "BLOODLESS DUEL."
Manager and Director, JAS. H. RAINFORD.

SOUDAN ENCAMPMENT.
THE OPENING CEREMONIAL WAS GRACED
by the
DISTINGUISHED PRESENCE
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His Eminence CARDINAL MORAN,
The Most Rev. ARCHBISHOPS and BISHOPS,
REVEREND FATHERS,
and
DISTINGUISHED LAITY,
including
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At the Concert given on the brilliant occasion
THE MAGNIFICENT GRAND PIANOFORTE
and
The PERFECTION SMITH ORGAN
used were from the warehouse
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CLARA CROSBIE,
aged 12 years,
will explain to the public How to Live for
THREE WEEKS
in the Bush
WITHOUT FOOD.
Admission, 1s; Children, 6d. Open from 10 a.m. till 10 p.m.

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New Additions, More Novelties, New Figures, Magnificent Views, Splendid Sights, New Groups. A genuine and interesting treat enjoyed by a visitor to the Waxworks and Glassblowers' Exhibition.

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Under the Lesseeship and Management of
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TO-NIGHT, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17.
THE LAST NIGHT BUT TWO } of Mr. G. W. ANSON
THE LAST NIGHT BUT TWO } of Mr. G. W. ANSON
THE LAST NIGHT BUT TWO } of Miss FLORENCE WADE and Mr. HENRY ALLEYNE.
THE LAST NIGHT BUT TWO OF THE SEASON.
THE LAST NIGHT BUT ONE OF
BLOW FOR BLOW
BLOW FOR BLOW
BLOW FOR BLOW.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19,
The last night of the present season, and, by request, will be produced
NOAH'S ARK.
Box Plan at Nicholson's Music Warehouse. Day tickets at Cole's Book Arcade, George-street. Furniture from the Globe Warehouse, 525, George-street. Curtain rises at 8 o'clock. Carriages, 10.30.
LIDDY.

NEW OPERA HOUSE.
IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.
SPECIAL COMMAND NIGHT.
SATURDAY NEXT, December 19.
Under the Patronage and in the Presence of
LORD CARRINGTON.
His EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR will be accompanied by LADY CARRINGTON and Suite.
The last night of the present season, and by request NOAH'S ARK.
Notice.—No advance in prices of admission. Dress circle, 5s; stalls, 3s; parquette, 1s. Box Plan now open at Nicholson's music warehouse.

CANTERBURY PARK RACES.
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SATURDAY, 19th DECEMBER, 1885.
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To start at 1.30 p.m.
THE FLYING STAKES.
THE SELLING RACE.
THE DECEMBER HANDICAP.
PRINCE OF WALES STAKES.
WELTER HANDICAP.
Special and Ordinary Trains.
'Buses meet all Trains.
W. L. DAVIS,
Hon. Secretary.

BOXING DAY.
AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB.
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MIDSUMMER MEETING,
Patron:
HIS EXCELLENCY the RIGHT HONORABLE BARON CARRINGTON, G.C.M.G.
Under the management of the Committee of the A. J. C.
The MIDSUMMER MEETING
of the
AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB
will be held
at
RANDWICK
on
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1885.
PROGRAMME.
The HURDLE RACE—to start at 12.30 p.m.
The DECEMBER STAKES—to start at 1.15 p.m
Luncheon.
The SUMMER CUP—to start at 2.30 p.m.
The SELLING PLATE—to start at 3.15 p.m.
The CHRISTMAS CUP—to start at 4 p.m.
The TWO-YEARS-OLD PLATE—to start at 4.30 p.m.
The A. J. C. HANDICAP—to start at 5.15 p.m.
TICKETS for TWO LADIES will be forwarded to each MEMBER.
Professional Trainers can obtain tickets for themselves and their jockeys until 4 p.m. on Thursday, 23rd instant.
All persons driving to the course are particularly requested to obey the orders of the Transit Commissioners with regard to the disposal of their vehicles.
ANY HORSE or HORSES FOUND LOOSE WILL BE IMPOUNDED, and the OWNER CHARGED £1 STERLING PER HORSE before they are released.
The NEW OFFICIAL STAND WILL BE OPENED TO MEMBERS of the CLUB FREE for BOXING DAY.
All HARBOUR CRAFT and YAWL, after having delivered their passengers, must be placed and KEPT at the station provided for them, and the HORSES tied up in the horse-paddocks. NOTE.—THIS REGULATION WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.
NO RACEHORSES, except those engaged in the races of the day, will be allowed in the SADDLING PADDOCK.
PASSENGERS by TRAMWAY will please note that a separate Ticket Office and Entrance to the Saddling Paddock has been placed at the CORNER next the COURSE. By using it the crush at the entrance for passengers by vehicle will be avoided.
Persons desirous of purchasing Tickets in town for the Saddling Paddock can obtain same from GIBBS, SHALLARD, and CO., Pitt-street.
T. S. CLIBBORN,
Secretary A. J. C.

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PUBLIC HOLIDAY,
MONDAY, 28th DECEMBER.
FIFTH MEETING
of
ROSEHILL RACING CLUB.
SIX EVENTS:
THE HURDLE RACE
THE SELLING PLATE
THE TWO-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP
THE STEWARDS' CUP
THE EXCHANGE PLATE
THE WELTER HANDICAP.
GEO. W. S. ROWE,
Secretary.

HIGHLAND GATHERING SPORTS.
NEW YEAR'S DAY.
NOTICE TO COMPETITORS.
ENTRANCES for Flat Races, Walking Matches, Bicycle Races, Wrestling, &c., Highland Dancing and Piping, Irish Jig, Single Stick, &c., &c., and all the other usual events to be competed for on NEW YEAR'S DAY, will be received by the undersigned up to FRIDAY, the 18th DECEMBER.
For particulars of prizes see last Saturday's Sydney Morning Herald, Daily Telegraph, the Evening News, also Town and Country Journal.
H. J. CHISHOLM,
Hon. Secretary.
Address:
Punch's Hotel, Market-street, Sydney.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S GROUND, Boxing Day, 26th December. Carnival of Athletic Sports. £100 given away in prizes.
Running, Walking, and Hurdle Races, Single Sticks, Wrestling, &c. Full particulars, see further advertisements.
AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S GROUND.

BOAT RACE.
BEACH v. MATTERSON.
FRIDAY, 18th DECEMBER, 1885.
A splendid view of above contest can be obtained from the steamer LEVERET, leaving Floating Jetty, Circular Quay, at 3 p.m. sharp. Cheap fares.
W. and T. MOORE.

BEACH v. MATTERSON
TO-MORROW AFTERNOON.
Commodious steamer BALD ROCK and S.S. PSYCHE will leave foot of Erskine-street, to view the above race. Return fares, 1s.
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CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE WORLD BOATRACE.
MATTERSON v. BEACH.
On Friday, Special Steamers, Halcyon and others, will leave King-st wharf at 5 o'clock. Fare—cabin 2s 6d, steerage 1s 6d.

S. B. COLLOU'S GO-AHEAD LINE OF COACHES, Sydney to Cobar. Booking Office—90, Pitt-street.
Sydney—JOHN T. M'INNES and CO., Agents.

PORT HACKING.—A large Waggonette and pair leave Kogarah daily with Passengers on arrival of the 8.12 a.m. (9 a.m. on Sundays) train, returning in time to meet the 5.35 p.m. (5.16 p.m. on Sundays) train from Kogarah.
Fares, 2s 6d each way, and punt 2d each passenger.

SELECT PICNIC PARTIES.—Best Day's Outing.—Steamer to Manly, thence per Black and Co.'s 'bus to Narrabeen Lake; fishing, boating, bathing. Black and Co.'s Livery Stables, Pier Hotel. Vehicles of all descriptions on hire.

HERE'S A HOW DE DO.—Picnic Hampers gone astray while journeying to "Our Village." Never mind, we will look in at the Clarendon; Mrs. Kilminster is sure to have Dinner ready at 1 o'clock, and we can afterwards enjoy the sea breezes from the Reserve opposite; and, while Ma is looking after the children, we can have a quiet smoke and game of billiards. ta.

SEEDS, Plants, and Flowers.—Searl and Sons, 3 and 5 George-st. Markets; Branch, 3, Sydney Arcade, George-street

SINGING.—Boyle and Co.'s Classes will continue during the holidays as usual, in the Musical Institute.

TATTERSALL'S HALL, Tattersall's Buildings, Hunter-street, to LET for balls, meetings, rehearsals, banquets, &c.; free use of gas, piano, &c.; 400 seats; hall is splendidly decorated. Apply Manager, Tattersall's Bazaar.

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NEW OPENING DEPARTMENT,
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MME. PAULINE HONET, Manager.

WATER FRONTAGES.—Next SATURDAY, CARLTON PARK, Kogarah Bay. Watkin and Watkin.

THE PLATEAU, MOUNT RAMSAY, Narrabeen Lakes. Read all to-morrow's advertisements.

MR. HALLEWELL'S GLEE PARTY will sing "When Winds Breathe Soft," "Flora gave me Fairest Flowers," "Sleep, Gentle Lady," "Awake, Æolian Lyre," TO-NIGHT, at Mr. Hallewell's Concert.

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HISCOCKS' FEDERAL MINSTRELS,
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Christmas Eve, THURSDAY, December 24.
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OXFORD C. C., with ground, disengaged Saturday next. P. Keeshan, Eastway Bros., Union-lane.

ARLINGTON C.C. open for Engagement Boxing Day. Country pref. C. Dunn, Five Dock.

WENTWORTH C.C. Disengaged Sat. Club with ground. J. Kean, Chrs. Newton Bros. and Co., Pitt-st.

CRICKET GROUND to LET for 16th, 25th, 26th. J. Neville, Norwood Park, Petersham.

CROYDON C. C., with ground, DISENGAGED Saturday next. J. M'Carthy, 8, Campbell-place, Woollloomooloo.

GLENMORE C. C. requires Wicket Saturday next, close town. A. Aitkin, 392, Elizabeth-street South.

WINDSOR C. C., with Ground, Disengaged Saturday next. T. W. Brevitt, 10, 861 Pitt-street.

BROKEN BAY and NEWPORT.
GRAND OCEAN EXCURSION.
BOXING DAY,
26th December, 1885.
The splendid Paddle Steamer
MURRAY
will leave Market Wharf, foot of Market-street, on
SATURDAY, 26th DECEMBER,
at 10 a.m.
FARE: Return, 4s; children under 12, half-price.
Refreshments may be had on board at moderate prices.
Passengers are landed at Newport, and the steamer will leave for return at 3.30 p.m.
Tickets may be obtained at the office of
JOHN SEE and CO.,
129, Sussex-street.

HAWKESBURY RIVER.
The favourite ocean-going steamers Admiral or Prince of Wales will, at the request of a number of passengers, resume the trips to the above place, and leave No. 3 Jetty, Circular Quay, on SUNDAY NEXT, at 9.30 a.m. (weather permitting), landing passengers at Peat's Ferry, returning at 6 p.m. Fare, 5s return. Refreshments on board. Dinner can be obtained at the hotel.

HAWKESBURY RIVER.—EXCURSION EVERY FRIDAY at 2.15 p.m., via Manly, returning at 9 p.m. on SATURDAY. Book at TOURIST BUREAU, 51, Market-street; or at Maddock's, 351, George-street.

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We are now Booking for the
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Apply at once (ladies especially), as the accommodation will be allotted according to the order of application.
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Government Notices.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.
NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.
NOTICE is hereby given that on and after TUESDAY, the 15th December, all Railway Carriage Doors will be left unlocked, and passengers are requested not to lean against them.
CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.
Railway Department, Sydney,
11th December, 1885.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.
BRANCH LINE FROM ILLAWARRA RAILWAY LINE TO THE CAMP, NATIONAL PARK.
The Commissioner for Railways, appointed by Act of Council 22 Victoria, No. 19, hereby gives NOTICE, that his Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, deems it expedient to make and complete a Railway between the Illawarra Line and the Camp, National Park, and to erect certain Works and Conveniences in connection therewith: Commencing at mileage 16 miles 60 chains distant from Sydney, on the said Illawarra Railway Line, and terminating near the Camp, National Park, being a distance of one mile fourteen chains and that all parties affected by the said Works; are hereby required to set forth in writing to the said Commissioner, within one month from the publication of this Notice in the Government Gazette, any well-grounded objection that may appear to them to exist to the making of the said Railway or to the erection of the said Works.
Dated at Sydney this 1st day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.
(L.S.) CHAS. A. GOODCHAP,
Commissioner for Railways.
The seal of the Commissioner for Railways was affixed hereto, at Sydney, this first day of December, 1885, in the presence of—
L. P. IRDALE.

The Treasury, New South Wales,
10th December, 1885.
PAPER-CUTTING MACHINES.
TENDERS will be received at this Office until noon of TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, for the supply of
TWO SELF-CLAMPING PAPER-CUTTING MACHINES,
ONE 42 INCHES AND ONE 88 INCHES, FITTED FOR STEAM POWER, WITH ALL LATEST IMPROVEMENTS.
TWO EXTRA KNIVES WITH EACH MACHINE.
Tenderers are requested to state the period within which they will be prepared to supply the above after notification of acceptance of tender.
A marked cheque for £25 must accompany each tender as a guarantee of good faith.
The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
Tenders to be addressed to the Under-Secretary for Finance and Trade, and endorsed "Tender for Paper-cutting Machines."
GEORGE R. DIBBS.

Department of Public Works,
Harbours and Rivers Branch,
Sydney, December 10, 1885.
TENDERS will be received at this Office up to noon of FRIDAY, 18th December, for the Supply and Delivery at Fitzroy Dock of two small Double-cylinder Steam Winches.
Further particulars may be obtained at this Office, or from the Assistant Engineer, Newcastle.
E. O. MORIARTY,
Engineer-in-Chief.

Department of

Meetings.

MASONIC HALL, ST. LEONARDS.—A Public MEETING of the Ratepayers of St. Leonards, East St. Leonards, and Victoria, and all Interested in preserving the life and health of the community from ravages of TYPHOID FEVER and CHOLERA, will be held on MONDAY EVENING, 21st December, at 8 p.m., to urge upon the Government the question of sewerage and drainage of North Shore, and their immediate action to abate the nuisance.

Sir HENRY PARKES and J. E. IVES, Esq., representatives for the district, are expected to address the meeting.

EDWARD M. CLARK, Mayor of East St. Leonards.

NEW SOUTH WALES NATIONAL REGATTA. A Committee MEETING will be held at Aarons' Exchange Hotel, THIS (Thursday) EVENING, 17th instant, at 8 o'clock. CHAS. C. METCALF, Hon. Secretary.

TRADES and LABOUR COUNCIL.—MEETING THIS EVENING, 8 o'clock, Swan with Two-Necks. George and Park streets. Full attendance requested. THOMAS SYMONS, Gen. Sec.

MASONIC LODGE COSMOPOLITAN.—The regular Monthly MEETING THIS EVENING, 7.30 sharp, Masonic Hall, Castlereagh-street. Business: 1 and 3 degrees. W. HAYWARD, P.M., Sec.

MASONIC.—The Regular Monthly MEETING of Lodge Clyde 674, S. C., THIS EVENING, No. 6 room, Protestant Hall, Castlereagh-street. Business—Initiations. George Paxton, secretary.

MASONIC.—Lodge Emulation, 2071, E. C.—Regular Monthly MEETING, 7.30 p.m. J. J. Allen, sec.

MASONIC LODGE, SYDNEY TARBOLTON, No. 2. The regular Monthly Meeting will be held at the Masonic Hall, Castlereagh-street, THIS EVENING, at 7.30 sharp. J. A. WILSON, Hon. Sec.

MASONIC.—A MEETING of the REFORMED G. L. OF SCOTLAND will be held at the Hall, Clarence-street, on MONDAY next, at 7 p.m. P. J. LUCIF, Secretary.

MASONIC.—KILWINNING, No. 378, S.C.—Regular Monthly MEETING THIS EVENING, at 7.30, Town Hall, Redfern. Business: To confer M.M. degree. JOHN J. SHIPLEY, Secretary.

NO. 7 Loyal Orange Lodge Meets THIS (Thursday) EVENING, Protestant Hall, 8 o'clock sharp. Business: Election of officers for 1886. All brethren requested to attend. Visitors cordially invited.

O. L. 176, BALMAIN WEST, meet THIS EVENING, at 7.30 sharp, in St. THOMAS' SCHOOL-ROOM, Darling-road. Election of Officers. Members specially requested to attend. Visiting brethren welcome. W. SHARP, W.M.

DERRY L. O. L., No. 3.—Regular Monthly MEETING THIS (Thursday) EVENING, Wesley Schoolroom, Regent-street, 7.30 p.m. Election of Officers, 1886. J. PALLETT, Secretary.

NO. 27 ROYAL WILLIAM, L. O. L.—A Special MEETING TO-NIGHT in No. 4 room, Protestant Hall. Very important. Visitors invited. A Deputy from the Grand to be present. A spread at close.

NO. 117 L. O. L. will hold A. P. MEETING, Protestant Hall, Marrickville, Thursday, 16th. Bros. invited.

A.O.D., Surry Banner, Grand Lodge.—Adjourned Meeting This Thursday Even., at 8. J. D. Grant, G.S.

NEW MACQUARIE RIVER GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability. NOTICE is hereby given that the Adjourned General MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Tarragon Hotel, King and Sussex streets, on TUESDAY, 22nd December, at 7.30 p.m. Business: To elect Directors, Auditors, &c., and transact any other business which may be brought forward. By order, T. F. DE COURCY BROWNE, Legal Manager.

Sydney, 15th December, 1885.

KELLY'S FREEHOLD GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.—An adjourned MEETING of the Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Office, Bank of Australasia-chambers, George and Jamieson streets, Sydney, on WEDNESDAY NEXT, 23rd instant, at 2 p.m. GRESLEY LUKIN, Manager.

Military Notices.

NAVAL ARTILLERY VOLUNTEERS. MUSTER at Darlinghurst Courthouse on SATURDAY, December 19, at 2.15 p.m. sharp. Dress: White lumpers, cap-covers, and leggings. Remaining arms will be issued on Friday, the 18th instant. J. H. A. LEE, Lieut.-Commanding.

NEW SOUTH WALES RIFLE ASSOCIATION. PRESENTATION of PRIZES. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S GROUND, MOORE PARK. Holders of Purple Tickets ONLY will be admitted to the Platform. No vehicles will be admitted to the ground except those containing persons with invitation cards. The charge for Admission to all persons, without tickets will be One Shilling each person, the Association share of the proceeds to be distributed amongst the various charities of the city. W. FOSKETT, Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES RIFLE ASSOCIATION. PARLIAMENTARY RIFLE MATCH. Messrs. Imray and Co., 85, Clarence-street, have, on behalf of Messrs. Kynoch and Co., Glasgow, presented £10 10s to purchase a Trophy to form the first prize in this match. The prizes on the programme will become the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th prizes. W. FOSKETT, Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES RIFLE ASSOCIATION. The Presentation of PRIZES by LADY CARRINGTON, will take place on SATURDAY NEXT, at 3.30, on the AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S GROUND, MOORE PARK. No Vehicle will be admitted to the ground except those containing persons with invitation cards. ADMISSION, 1s. HALF the PROCEEDS will be distributed amongst the VARIOUS CHARITIES OF THE CITY. W. FOSKETT, Secretary.

SYDNEY SCOTTISH RIFLES. Members will assemble for drill at Governor Bourke's Statue, top of Bent-street, TO-NIGHT, at 7.45. JOHN MACDONALD, Major, Commanding S. R. C., S. V. R.

Municipal Council Notices.

15-135. Town Clerk's Office, Sydney, December 15, 1885.

INTERMITTENT WATER SUPPLY. NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned suburbs will be supplied with water on the days respectively mentioned:— PADDINGTON (those parts connected with the Woollahra Reservoir) and the Woollahra district, on Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, from 8 a.m. till 5 p.m. WAVERLEY, on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Fridays, from 12 noon till 6 p.m. RANDWICK, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from 8 a.m. till 4 p.m. CHAS. H. WOOLCOTT, Town Clerk.

Religious Announcements.

ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL.—The Most Rev. the PRIMATE will hold a Confirmation in this Cathedral THIS DAY, Thursday, at 3.30 p.m.

A. M. D. G.

The FOUNDATION-STONE of the New School Building of St. Aloysius' College, S.J., Auburn, Bourke-street, Surry Hills, will be solemnly laid by HIS EMINENCE THE CARDINAL ARCHBISHOP, at 4.30 p.m. SUNDAY, December 20th. D. CLANCY, S.J., Rector.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH. Short SERVICES on TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, and FRIDAY at each week at 5.15 p.m., TO-DAY, THURSDAY. Address by the Primate. H. L. JACKSON, M.A., Incumbent.

Educational.

ANNUAL Vacation.—Mons. Cailliau's Singing Classes will be reopened after Christmas holidays. Paling and Co.

BOYLE and CO.'S Singing Classes will continue as usual, in the Musical Institute, during the holidays.

B. A. SYDNEY (first-class honours, Classics, and the Mathematics) desires ENGAGEMENT as Assistant Master or Tutor. Address B. A., care of W. Broome, Esq., J.P. Dromalbyn, Forbes.

COOERWULL Academy, Bowenfells.—Vacancies for boarders after Christmas. W. Stewart Page, M.A. principal.

LANSDOWNE HOUSE, BURWOOD. MRS. and the MISSES ASHE, of Ardnarn School, Waverley, intend moving to Lansdowne House and opening their school there in January. Prospectuses on application to Ardnarn, Salisbury-street, Waverley, or Lansdowne House, Burwood.

MANLY.—A certificated English Governess will give Lessons in Manly during the Christmas Vacation in English, French, German, music, drawing, and water colours. Address Cambridge, Post Office, Manly Beach.

PRIVATE Lessons in German, French, and Spanish by Herr Otto, Phillip-street, 151.

PYRMONT or SURRY HILLS.—Wanted, Music PUPILS after Christmas. Terms, 25s a quarter; good references. Apply Thursday or Friday, from 9 to 4 St. Bede's School, Pyrmont, or at any time at 55, Sophia-st., Surry Hills.

RIVIERE COLLEGE.—Esher, Edgecliff-rd., Nelson-st., and Queen-st., Woollahra. Principals, Prof. and Mrs. Goergs.

RANDWICK COLLEGE, Randwick, Sydney. The vacancy for Assistant Master has been filled by Mr. S. D. Roberts, late of Clifton College, Finchley, London. A vacancy still occurs for a gentleman (resident) to assist in Preparatory Department.

THE SCHOOL, MOUNT VICTORIA. Reopens 11th January. Vacancies. Special attention to spelling, composition, and arithmetic. Evening lessons. Special class for junior pupils. Healthy climate. Terms, 10 guineas per quarter. For references, &c., apply to H. G. RENITS, Principal.

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"Friedrichsruche," Prince Bismarck's country seat near Hamburg, has for the last few weeks been the headquarters of European diplomacy. With the exception of Sir E. Mallet, the English Ambassador at the Court of Berlin, all the ambassadors of the great European Powers have gone to see the Chancellor for the purpose of discussing the Eastern question with him. M. de Giers, the Minister of Foreign Affairs in Russia, has paid two visits to Prince Bismarck, one before and one after the conferences which the diplomatist held with his Sovereign at Copenhagen. It must, of course, seem rather strange to a good many people and politicians that Prussia, the Power which 80 years ago was scarcely allowed to attend the Paris Conference, has now become the leader in European diplomacy, and this fact alone shows how much the diplomatic and political situation in Europe has been changed in consequence of the war of 1870 and its results. Up to the present Europe has had no reason to complain of this state of affairs, for the principal use which Germany has made of her newly-acquired power has been to preserve, as far as possible, the general peace. This aim is also, at the present moment, kept in view by Prince Bismarck, who was by no means pleased by the unexpected proceedings at Phillipopolis. In former days, when Prince Alexander, of Battenberg, was asked to accept the Crown of Bulgaria, he is said to have asked Prince Bismarck's advice whether he should accept the offered sovereignship. The Chancellor then expressed his opinion that as the Prince would always be in time for his military career in Prussia, he had better accept it. At the present moment the irony of fate is again most strikingly proved by the course which the political events have taken, for Bismarck was very angry with Prince Alexander for bringing up again the Oriental question, with all its dangers, and Prince Alexander was therefore in danger of losing his throne by the help of the same statesman who advised him years ago to accept it. In these angry feelings against Prince Alexander, the Chancellor was sure of the fullest sympathy of the Russian Government, which is highly exasperated against the Bulgarian Government, as it had taken the initiative in its own hands, without the help and support of Russia. Prince Alexander found himself therefore in a very awkward position, for Greece and Servia were likewise ready to go to war against Bulgaria, in order to derive some profit for themselves from the situation. England alone was inclined to support Prince Alexander, but only in a moral way, as the Salisbury Cabinet desired to come to a friendly understanding with the Porte about Egypt. Austria was afraid that her position in Bosnia and the Herzegovina would be endangered; Italy and France appeared inclined to support the claims of Greece, and therefore all the former difficulties of the Eastern question seemed to be revived, after having been at rest for some time through the Treaty of Berlin. Prince Bismarck saw the only means for avoiding a general outbreak in the reinstitution of the *status quo ante*. Prince Alexander declared himself ready to submit to the will of the European Powers, and he was therefore clever enough to make, "*bonne mine au mauvais jeu.*" He pronounced his willingness to submit the whole question and the claims of the East Roumelians to the judgment of the European Areopagus, for he is quite sure that the Conference of the Great Powers, which will sit at Constantinople, will find a way of settling matters so as to satisfy the wishes of Bulgaria without exciting the suspicion of Greece and Servia, and without violating the rights of Turkey.

The question regarding the Caroline Islands has not advanced or progressed much since last month. It may be called a diplomatic and political masterpiece, that Bismarck appointed Pope Leo XIII. to be umpire between Germany and Spain, as the Spaniards could certainly not refuse to accept the judgment of an infallible priest. The reports of the German naval officers regarding the occupation of the Island, and particularly that of the Isle of Yap, arrived here last week, and have been despatched to the Pope. Whatever the judgment may be, an understanding between Germany and Spain will be arrived at, for Germany does in reality not wish for more than to have facilities for her commercial traffic in those districts fully guaranteed. It is hoped that by the trust which Germany has put in the Pope, by putting the above-mentioned matter in his hands, the relations between the Vatican and the German Empire will also be greatly improved. This would indeed have been the case long ago if the Ultramontane intransigeants had not done all in their power to prolong the struggle between State and Church in Prussia.

Prinz Lewis Hohenlohe-Schillingsfurst, who for nearly ten years has represented Germany at the French Republic, has been appointed Governor-General of Alsace-Lorraine, and has taken up his new office. It is hoped in the Liberal circles here that the Prince will not follow the same policy which was inaugurated by the late General Field-Marshal von Manteuffel, who always tried to favour the French elements at the cost of the German inhabitants, and who above all tried to remain on good relations with the Catholic clergy. This policy has proved by no means successful, for the French only saw therein a symptom of German weakness, and the French Chauvinistic party were encouraged by it. Prince Hohenlohe is a thorough and clever statesman, who in his former position as President of the Bavarian Cabinet did very much toward the unification of Germany, and who will certainly not allow the two provinces of Alsace and Lorrains to become the theatre of a French Chauvinistic propaganda. The German officials in these provinces who had to suffer a good deal under the Manteuffel *régime*, have warmly welcomed the appointment of Prince Hohenlohe, in whom they see the protector not only of their own interests but also of those of the whole fatherland.

Count Münster, who so long was German Ambassador in London, leaves this position, and goes to Paris in order to represent Germany there. As long as Count Münster was at the Court of St. James the best relations existed between Germany and England, for the Count was a thorough admirer of England and of most of the English institutions. He was in most intimate relationship with the English aristocracy through his second wife, who is an English lady. Count Münster, whose estates are situated in Hanover, was one of the first Hanoverians who were willing to acknowledge and adopt the new situation created by the events of 1866, after he had first tried in vain to secure the independence of Hanover and of the Royal family of Hanover. The Count was then elected deputy to the new German Parliament, in which position he distinguished himself to such a degree, that in 1873 he was appointed German Ambassador at London. The task of the Count there was by no means an easy one, for he was in the beginning nowhere received well in England. The Royal family particularly saw in the Count a man who had been faithless to his master, and had abandoned the Guelph cause. The Count, however, knew how to win the confidence of the Royal family of England, as well as of the English statesmen, by his tact and unselfishness; and by his great passion for all kinds of English sports, and he succeeded in establishing a sincere friendship between the Beaconsfield Cabinet and the German Government. When, however, the Gladstone Cabinet came into power a slight *refroidissement* became noticeable, and when Germany, by her colonial aspirations, entered on a new phase of policy, the position of Court Münster became so unpleasant that even his dismissal was mentioned. Directly, however, Lord Salisbury came into office the good relations were at once restored. The news that Count Münster was to leave his old position and go to Paris instead has created some surprise, but it may be explained by the fact that Count Münster will be able to do good service to Germany in his new position at Paris, as scarcely anybody knows England as well as Count Münster, and as it is not unlikely that within a short time a *rapprochement* between England and France may be planned. In that case Count Münster would be the best representative and protector of German interests.

Count Hatzfeld, hitherto Secretary of State in the German Foreign Office, has been appointed successor of Count Münster at London. The Count is one of those men who have been drilled for the diplomatic service under the eyes of the Chancellor himself, and he is regarded as a most clever man, who unites coolness of mind to energy, sharpness, and amiability. The Count possesses the full confidence of his *chef*, and, under his leadership, the relations between Germany and England will improve if possible. Count Hatzfeld is the son of that Countess Hatzfeld who had become so famous and conspicuous by her ardent friendship for Doctor Edward Lassalle, the former leader of the German Social Democracy. The youth of the present Count was not a happy one, but he entered the diplomatic career very early, as attaché to the German Legation in Paris, where in 1868 he was married to an American lady, Miss Helen Moulton. During the Franco-German war Count Hatzfeld belonged to the staff of Prince Bismarck, who afterwards sent him as German Minister to Madrid. When there, the young Count did not exactly obey the instructions of his "chef," but the letter in which he excused himself; and justified his line of action, was so cleverly written that Prince Bismarck was quite reconciled to the young diplomatist, whom soon after he sent as German Ambassador to Constantinople. Here the Count succeeded in bringing the Porte under the influence of Germany. The consequence of this was that German officers as well as German civil officials were invited to Turkey for the purpose of re-organising the Turkish army and administration. Count Hatzfeld therefore enters his new position under very favourable auspices.

The Brunswick question has at last been definitely settled. The Duke of Cumberland had spared no trouble to convince all the German princes of his rights to the throne of Brunswick, without having made his peace with the German Empire, and without having renounced his claims on Hanover. This view was, however, not shared by the German princes or the population of Brunswick, and the result was that some days ago Prince Albert of Russia was unanimously elected regent of Brunswick by the members of the Brunswick Diet. Prince Albert, who with the consent of the Emperor William has accepted the regentship of Brunswick, is the only legitimate son of the youngest brother of the Emperor, Prince Albert, and is married to a princess of Saxe-Altenburg, whereby he is cousin to the Duke of Cumberland. The Prince always has been known to have led a very quiet and simple life, and has been a very zealous soldier. After his marriage he became a very loving husband and father. When Prince Charles died the Prince was elected Great Master of the Holy Order of St. John, which position puts upon him the duty of giving a good deal of his time to the support of the sick and poor. The Prince is also a first-rate musician, and has published a good many compositions. The population of Brunswick seems to be satisfied with the election of this Prince, who was until now Commander-in-Chief of the 10th Army Corps, to which also the troops of Brunswick belong. Great preparations are being made for the State entrance of the new regent in the old capital of Brunswick, where for many centuries the Guelph family resided. The Ultramontanes and the members of the Guelph party in Hanover are, of course, not satisfied with this solution of the Brunswick question, and to a certain degree they have been supported by the Prussian Ultra-Conservatives, but Brunswick has preserved her independence.

The elections for the House of Deputies of the Prussian Diet will take place towards the end of this month, but no excitement whatever has been shown by the population on this subject. The public at large are tired of the electoral proceedings, and it is most probable that the Conservatives and Ultramontanes will also in this Diet control the majority. The German Parliament will be opened towards the middle of November, and will begin with the discussion of the budget, while the sessions of the Prussian Diet will only begin in the middle of January. Financial affairs have assumed a somewhat brighter aspect, and the returns from all the different departments of taxes and customs, as well as the returns from the State railways, are showing an increase, so that the Budget will probably be well balanced.

Count v. Moltke has celebrated the 85th anniversary of his birth at his country seat, Kreisau, in Silesia, where the Count likes to pass all the time of his holydays. The great strategist is no friend of demonstrations and ovations, and therefore all public manifestations for that day were politely forbidden. Nevertheless, the Field-Marshal received congratulations by the thousand, at the head of which were those of the members of the Royal family.

The Emperor has returned from Baden-Baden in very good health and spirits, and has the intention of going to the shooting parties in the different provinces. The Empress is still at Baden-Baden, and will not return to Berlin before December. The Crown Prince and his family have returned to Berlin.

THE ACCIDENT TO THE MELBOURNE EXPRESS TRAIN.

A correspondent writes from on board the Iberia (s.) as follows:—"I don't know whether you have had an independent criticism on the accident to the express on Wednesday morning at Lilaho; but I suppose, from the fact that as no one was hurt, it will be passed over without much notice. But I think some explanation beyond that of 'a mistake in the points' should be required. I took advantage of the delay to walk over the line, and consider that the arrangement of points and switches is very faulty and liable to cause a repetition of the accident, or worse. There is a loopline into which the down train is run while the up train remains on the main line, and runs up alongside the platform. At each end of the loopline, of course, there are points and switches which are about 500 yards apart. About 300 yards from the north end of the loop line is a pair of points leading into the 'blind siding' which caused the accident. One would naturally look for all points at an important crossing place like this to be of the best construction, and connected to a central box where all the levers would be under the control and eye of the pointsman, but this is not the case. Each pair of points has its switch lever close to, so that they are a wide distance apart. Even in this case they ought to have been of the best design, but they are not. There are of course several different kinds of switch levers, but they are ranged under two heads. Those which always keep the points open in one direction, and must be held down if a train be required to take, and which are known as 'spring points;' and those which stand open in whichever direction the switch lever is placed, which are called 'ball points.' Two of the points at Lilaho are on the latter principle, and one on the former. The points at the south end of the loop line are 'spring points' open to the main line, so that uptrains can only be put into the loop line by the lever being held down while the train is passing over the points. By some strange inconsistency the points at the other end of the loop line are 'ball points,' so that a mistake by the pointsman would run the down train on to the main line instead of the loop line, and though the speed would not be great it might be sufficient to disable one or both engines. With 'spring points' at the north end also, this would be impossible, as they would only be open to the main line when intentionally held open. Now, to come to the cause of the accident. Contrary to generally accepted railway practice, the points leading from the loop line into the blind siding are 'facing points' *i. e.*, they face the general direction of trains entering the loop-line, viz., from the north, and are moreover worked by 'ball-points.' Being only about 300 yards from the north end of the loop the train when brought up would be close to these points abreast of the station, and consequently when starting, the speed of the engine being very slow, it would scarcely be perceptible to the driver that he had passed over the points in the wrong direction, nor would anything ahead on a dark night show him he was wrong till he passed close to a goods shed, which is only 30 or 40 yards from the end of the rails, until he steeple-chased over a stop-block, skidded along a pile of old rails and came to anchor up to his axles in sand, with a carriage and a-half in a like predicament. With all credit to him the breaks were promptly put down and the public property saved a good deal thereby. I should therefore suggest that the points should either be controlled in a cabin along with the signals, and on the platform, or that at least the two 'ball' switch levers should be changed to the so-called spring points, when all chance of such an accident, with the contingencies of damage to life and property, would be avoided."

STOCK FORWARDED BY RAILWAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I notice our new Minister for Works, like many other Ministers, commences the work of his department by some sweeping and very expensive alterations.

Mr. Lyne, no doubt with the most creditable intentions, proposes having the trucks for carrying cattle and sheep by rail made in such a manner that the ends may be opened to admit of stock passing from one truck to the next, thereby rendering it unnecessary to move the trucks before the whole lot may be loaded. Now, I have had a good deal of practical experience in sending stock by rail, and perhaps may be pardoned for expressing the opinion that Mr. Lyne's experiment will be an expensive failure, for the simple reason that when the stock are loaded the ends of the trucks would have to be again put up so as to keep the contents of each truck separate, otherwise stock would overcrowd each other in some places, while in others there would be room or space unoccupied; in fact, no one who has had anything to do with the trucking or travelling of stock by rail can fail noticing that, even in single trucks, sheep may be smothering in one end of a truck while the other is not nearly full. Well, if on the other hand Mr. Lyne's idea is to close the ends of the trucks after being loaded, it will be still less practicable, for with a lot of strong wild Queensland bullocks to handle, nothing short of the yards and crush used for trucking will enable you to separate or evenly distribute them through the trucks.

I am sorry to deprecate any attempt to facilitate the loading of stock upon the railways; but I certainly think that just now economy should be the order of the day, not these wild and expensive experiments.

I am, &c.,
FRED. D. BADGERY.

Lake Bathurst, December 14.

A TIMELY use of Hop Bitters (American Co.'s) will keep a whole family in robust health a year with but a little cost. Read.—[ADVT.]

DAWN OF CREATION AND OF WORSHIP.

Although one of the busiest statesmen of his generation, Mr. Gladstone has found time to write a number of articles and books on theological and literary subjects. For theology and ecclesiastical history he has always manifested great fondness, and he has never hesitated to plunge into controversy to defend his views on these questions, or to attack what he considered to be heterodox opinion. His first published work of importance was on an ecclesiastical subject, and there seems a probability that his last will be on that, or a cognate theme. In the November number of the *Nineteenth Century* there is an article by him on the subject that stands at the head of this paper. It is a reply to a recently published work by Dr. Réville, professor in the College of France, and Hibbert Lecturer in 1884, entitled "Prolegomena to the History of Religions." The author belongs to the modern Rationalistic school, the school of which M. Renan is probably the most distinguished representative. In his book he assumes the subjective origin of all religions, which he views as so many answers to the call of a strong human appetite for that kind of food; and his object is to prove that theory and to overturn the doctrine laid down by a contemporary French writer that "in the very beginning of the human race the creative power revealed to the first men by supernatural means the essential principles of religious truth, together with language and even the art of writing." As, according to Christians, there is Divine revelation in language nowhere except in the Bible, if the contents of the Bible can be proved to be incorrect in important particulars, the doctrine of revelation at once falls to pieces, and the subjective theory or the origin of religion necessarily comes up in its place. Dr. Réville, therefore, charges against the Bible that it contains a number of scientific errors. (1) It speaks of the heaven as a solid vault; (2) it places the creation of the stars after that of the earth, and so places them solely for its use; (3) it introduces the vegetable kingdom before that kingdom could be subjected to the action of solar light. It also teaches errors in regard to the "days" of creation. As most students are aware, these objections are very old, and they have been so often replied to that the marvel is they should be noticed by any scholar who has kept himself abreast of the theological thought of the age. Mr. Gladstone criticised Dr. Réville's book because the author had selected him "as the representative of those writers who find warrant for the assertion of a primitive revelation in the testimony of the Holy Scriptures."

Before dealing with Dr. Réville's propositions, Mr. Gladstone makes two admissions—first, that in an historical inquiry the authority of Scripture cannot be alleged in proof of the existence of a primitive revelation; secondly, "a primitive orthodoxy" was revealed to the first men. In reply to the first of Dr. Ré

PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16.

The PRESIDENT took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

MEMBERS SWORN.

Mr. L. F. DE SALIS took the oath of allegiance to the Queen and subscribed the roll.

THE BODALLA ESTATE BILL.

Mr. A. CAMPBELL moved,—"That the Bodalla Estate Bill be read the third time."

The motion was agreed to. The bill was then read the third time, and was transmitted, with the usual message, to the Legislative Assembly.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. DE SALIS moved the adjournment of the House for the purpose of directing attention to the fact that although he, on the 10th September, 1884, carried a motion that an address be presented to the Governor praying that his Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House copies of all correspondence between the Minister of Justice and the Judges of the Supreme Court, or any of them, within the last three years, on the subject of law reform, no steps appeared to have been taken with a view to giving effect to that resolution. That motion was carried about 18 months ago, and yet no answer had been given. In England the Judges of the Supreme Court were required to suggest any changes they considered necessary in the direction of law reform. The 75th section of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act of England, which bore upon that matter, read as follows:—"A council of the Judges of the Supreme Court, of which due notice shall be given to all the said Judges, shall assemble once at least in every year, on such day or days as shall be fixed by the Lord Chancellor, with the concurrence of the Lord Chief Justice of England, for the purposes of considering the operation of this Act and of the Rules of Court for the time being in force, and also the working of the several offices and the arrangements relative to the duties of the officers of the said courts respectively, and of inquiring and examining into any defects which may appear to exist in the system of procedure, or the administration of the law in the said High Court of Justice, or the said Court of Appeal, or in any other court from which any appeal lies to the said High Court, or any Judge thereof, or to the said Court of Appeal: And they shall report annually to one of her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State what (if any) amendments or alterations it would in their judgment be expedient to make in this Act, or otherwise relating to the administration of justice, and what other provisions (if any), which cannot be carried into effect without the authority of Parliament, it would be expedient to make for the better administration of justice. Any Extraordinary Council of the said Judges may also at any time be convened by the Lord Chancellor." The motion for adjournment was submitted, and was negatived.

RESIGNATION OF THE MINISTRY.

Mr. THORNTON rose for the purpose of making a Ministerial statement. He said:—Mr. President,—I have a statement to make, and one which I regard, and honourable members when they have heard it, will regard as being paramount and important, and as to which there should be no hesitation or delay. Since I last had the honour of meeting honourable members in this Chamber certain important political action has taken place, in consequence of which my colleagues have thought it necessary to have a special Cabinet consultation, and in view of all the surrounding circumstances of the position, which will be more fully and perhaps more appropriately explained by the Honorable the Premier in the Legislative Assembly, they have resolved to tender their resignations to his Excellency the Governor, and to hold office only until their successors are appointed. As the representative of the Government in this Council, I may not have another opportunity of offering hon. members my full and grateful acknowledgments of their kind and courteous bearing towards me during the period which I have been permitted to occupy that distinguished position, I now avail myself of this occasion to do so most sincerely. Although my career in this new character has been too brief to qualify me to acquire a knowledge of the proper discharge of its important duties, or to prove my fitness or otherwise for it, yet it has been enough to enable me to appreciate the kindness of my hon. associates, and to give me cause to acknowledge their forbearance and courtesies. I beg to move that this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and the House, at 5 minutes past 5 o'clock, adjourned until 4 o'clock on the following Thursday afternoon.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16.

Mr. SPEAKER took the chair at 4.30 p.m.

RESIGNATION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

Mr. DIBBS rose and said that the Government, taking into consideration the position of affairs, and the situation in which they were placed, were about to take a course which would, he was sure, give satisfaction. When he made the financial statement on Thursday last he distinctly stated that unless the Government had the adherence in some form or another of a fair working majority, he would, on behalf of his colleagues and of himself, tender his resignation. This course he had that afternoon taken. (Hear, hear.) Before moving the adjournment of the House, he would like to ask hon. members to do an act of courtesy to our newly-elected Governor, namely, to acknowledge the address which he had presented to the House on the previous day. He might, perhaps, be permitted to say that he did not see a chance of any new Government carrying on the business of the country. (Interruption from Opposition members.) In the name of common decency, surely they would allow him to speak. (Hear, hear.) Unless a Government should be formed which would receive somewhat like a fair support from the members of the House, constituted as the House was at present of 112 members, it appeared evident that no Government could carry on the public work unless it had a majority of from 15 to 20 votes. In casting the responsibility upon other men, and in taking the present course, he felt that he had done his duty. (Hear, hear, from the Ministerial benches.) He had taken what he took to be the only proper course under such circumstances. Hon. members would recollect that there had been no discussion upon the financial proposals, except in the case of Mr. Garran, who was the only hon. gentleman who dealt with the question before the House. The other speeches that had been delivered consisted of coarse personal attacks upon the government; but he would pass those over. His government had not that support which would admit of their carrying on public business. With the concurrence of the House, therefore, he would move, "That the following address be adopted by this House."

Mr. SPEAKER said, I ought to point out to the hon. member that the address of his Excellency the Governor should be read before an address in reply is moved. The ordinary course would be to call on the questions, which may be answered or not, and then the Orders of the Day will be duly reached and read, and then the motion of which the hon. member speaks may be moved at once.

The questions were postponed.

ADDRESS TO THE GOVERNOR.

On the motion of Mr. DIBBS the address of his Excellency the Governor announcing his appointment as the Governor of the colony, and his assumption of office, was read by the clerk.

Mr. DIBBS then moved that the following address in acknowlegment of his Excellency's message be adopted by this House and presented to his Excellency:—

"To his Excellency the Right Honourable Charles Robert Baron Carrington, a member of her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of the most distinguished order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the colony of New South Wales and its dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

"May it please your Excellency.—

"We, the members of the Legislative Assembly, in Parliament assembled, desire to convey to you our thanks for your Excellency's message informing us of your appointment by Her Most Gracious Majesty as Governor-in-Chief of New South Wales and its dependencies.

"We beg to assure your Excellency that Her Majesty's choice affords us great satisfaction, and in so offering you our congratulation we confidently believe that your Excellency's appointment will tend to increase and strengthen the loyal attachment of all classes of the people of this colony to Her Majesty's throne and person.

"We beg your Excellency to receive our hearty congratulations."

Mr. JOHN ROBERTSON said that he was quite sure that this country had always been loyal to the British Constitution and to the Crown. He took no exception to the production of the word, but it was an entirely unnecessary one. He would second the motion. (Hear, hear.)

The motion was agreed to.

REPORTS.

Mr. TREGE brought up the following reports from Standing and Select Committee, viz.:—Barker's Estate Bill, Uther's Estate Licensing Bill, and St. Mary's Waverley C. E. Land Sale Bill.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Mr. R. B. SMITH moved that leave be given to the Elections and Qualifications Committee to sit during the adjournment of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

THE CASE OF MR. MELVILLE.

Mr. MELVILLE moved that members of all committees be granted leave to sit during the adjournment. He subsequently withdrew this proposition, and substituted a proposal that leave to sit be given to the committee which had been specially appointed to consider a charge which had been brought against himself.

Messrs. Garrett, Fletcher, Purves, Shepherd, O'Connor, and Levien spoke briefly upon the subject.

Mr. MELVILLE, in reply, said that as he anticipated that the inquiry would be finished in one or two sittings, he did not see why this matter should be kept hanging over his head until January.

The motion was agreed to.

BODALLA ESTATE BILL.

The SPEAKER announced the receipt of a message from the Legislative Council, forwarding the Bodalla Estate Bill for consideration.

The bill was read the first time.

PAPER.

Mr. LYNE laid upon the table "Abstract of lands resumed for purposes of public parks."

It was ordered that the document be printed.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. DIBBS moved,—"That this House do now adjourn." He said he desired to supplement the statement he had made when the House met, by saying that he had advised his Excellency the Governor to send for Sir John Robertson with a view to forming an Administration, and in the meantime, the Ministry would hold office pending the appointment of their successors.

Sir JOHN ROBERTSON said he very much preferred that the hon. gentlemen should remain in their places. If there was any necessity to come to him he should do his duty to the best of his ability, but those people who thought he was desirous of taking office were greatly mistaken, and broader shoulders than his own.

The motion was agreed to, and the House at 6 minutes past 5 o'clock adjourned until 4 o'clock on the following day.

THE ACCIDENT AT THE POST OFFICE.

INQUEST ON THE BODY.

An inquest was held yesterday at the Soudan Hotel, George-street North, before Mr. W. T. Pinhey, J.P., acting coroner, on the body of Thomas Bradshaw, a labourer, lately residing at 53, Holt-street, Surry Hills, who met with his death on Tuesday through falling from the tower of the General Post Office in George-street. Thomas Bradshaw, son of the deceased, deposed that his father was a native of London, and was 52 years of age; he was a very sober and steady man, and had been in the employment of Messrs. M'Credie Brothers for about 12 years; he leaves a widow and three children. Dr. Louis Laure, duly qualified medical practitioner, stated that he had examined the dead body lying at the morgue. The injuries were very numerous, and there were several fractures, one of the inferior jaw, one of the sternum and clavicle, fracture of the right forearm, fracture of the right thigh, and fracture of the left kneecap. Owing to the number and gravity of these injuries he believed that death was instantaneous. Thomas Townsend deposed that he was a labourer at the new General Post Office; he had known the deceased during the last 10 years, and had been working with him at the Post Office for the past twelve months; at the time of the accident deceased was working at about 20 feet above him (the witness); the portion of scaffolding from which deceased fell was about 230 feet from the ground; one plank had been lowered from one of the racking braces, and it then became necessary to shift the tackle to the other end of the plate; deceased began to ascend one of the uprights for that purpose, and after getting up about 20 feet on the upright, he by some means or other missed his footing, or lost his grip, and fell backwards, in his descent striking the main cornice of the building, and then fell to the ground, striking several of the cross braces in his descent; deceased was a sober steady man, and was well accustomed to the kind of work at which he was employed; he had full control of the work of removing the scaffolding, and all necessary appliances for its removal were at hand; the scaffolding was being taken down in a proper and workmanlike manner; a short time previous to the accident witness had been up near the spot from which deceased fell, and everything was perfectly secure then. To a juror: There was a life line to each upright; if the deceased had been tied to anything, he could not have moved about up or down the scaffolding to perform his work. A verdict that death was caused by injuries accidentally received through falling from the scaffolding round the tower, a distance of 230 feet, was returned.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In France the contractors place strong firmly-fixed nettings immediately under men engaged in perilous work in high buildings, and I have seen this protection under men working only a few feet from the ground. Such an excellent safeguard should be adopted here and everywhere, and contractors and others compelled to use this inexpensive protection against accidents. I am, &c.,

32, O'Connell-st., December 16. J. H. H. R.

NON-EPISCOPAL ORDERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Your correspondent "Presb. Eccles. Austral." wishes to know who gave Presbyterian ministers the right to ordain. I replied to him on that point already, and showed that the Holy Scriptures gave that right to Presbytor bishops. I also showed that in the Scottish Church for centuries presbyters did ordain, and that, after the usurpation of Rome had been borne for a long period, the Church reformed itself in accordance with the Word of God, and restored ordinations by presbyter bishops. As this controversy was begun by the presbyter of the Australian Church with brethren of his own communion, it might have been left to themselves to fight it out; but as he used expressions which non-Episcopal clergymen regarded as, to say the least of them, very offensive, it was considered necessary to make some reply, which I and others did.

I will leave the Rev. James Benise to answer for himself; but I will trouble you with a few statements on the point in dispute—not my own assertions, nor the opinions of Presbyterian writers, but quotations from the latest standard "Dictionary of Christian Antiquities," published by John Murray, and edited by Dr. Wm. Smith and Professor Cheetham, M.A. The articles are for the most part written by eminent divines of the Church of England. The one from which I proceed to quote is by an Oxford vice-principal. He says on the word "priest" or "presbyter," that the two officers, bishop and presbyter, "fulfilling the same functions, were regarded as having equivalent rank. This point must be taken as having been conceded by almost all important writers upon the subject in both ancient and modern times." He says:—"It is by no means certain when the subordination of the *ordo* of presbyters to a single officer first became general. The evidence whether for the existence of bishops or for their superior authority cannot be pressed farther than the facts warrant." "To admit the existence of a presiding bishop does not admit that he had higher functions than his brethren." He also refers to Irenæus as cognisant of the distinction, but in using the phrases "succession of presbyters" and "succession of bishops," that father puts them as convertible terms, and he speaks of presbyters as having an episcopate. "He clearly implies that there was no essential difference between them." Irenæus even "speaks of the early heads of the Roman churches as presbyters." The writer I am quoting, while admitting that the monarchical idea shewed itself strongly in Rome, yet "in the case of the churches of other cities, it must be borne in mind there is no evidence of the existence of a president or bishop until the middle of the second century." Further, as he advances, he refers to the growing insubordination of the presbyterates in the third century, but that "In some places the older organisation lingered on, and there are many indications that the presbyters did not allow their privileges to be curtailed without a struggle. That struggle came to a head in Montanism, and the triumph of the episcopate over the presbyterate was by no means secure until Montanism was crushed. Even so stern a disciplinarian as Cyprian found some rebels against his rule, and his quarrel with Novatus was based to a great extent upon the fact that the latter, though only a presbyter, had ignored Cyprian's claims as a bishop by ordaining Felicissimus as deacon." He then refers to other influences which operated, and adds—"But even after these influences had begun to operate the difference between the two orders was rather a difference of rank than of function. The bishop was *primus inter pares*; there was no function which he discharged, which might not also, save only as a question of order, be discharged by a presbyter. The writer, indeed, goes so far as to state that the assumed power of ordination by the bishop "was an acquired, and not a primary function of bishops; and, if so, it could not have been part of the original difference between them and presbyters."

I have no desire to continue this controversy, for I am persuaded that the "Presbyter" does not represent the Church of England, which has never denied the validity of non-episcopal orders. The statute 13 Eliz., cap. 10, admitted ordination by presbyters. This position has been sufficiently vindicated by the Rev. Mervyn Archdall, and I thank him for his courage, his candour, and his fidelity to Reformation principles in doing so.

I may add that I have ever cherished respect for the Church of England as a great Church of the Reformation, and can admire all her efforts for the extension of Christ's kingdom. I have been pleased to observe a growing tendency in many of her ministers to recognise the ministers of non-Episcopal churches. Some bishops and clergy have preached in Presbyterian churches in Scotland. In Canada Episcopal Synods regularly send deputations to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. We can agree to differ, to respect each other's liberty of private judgment, and yet work cordially together for our common faith. To such as your correspondent, however, I may state that Presbyterians believe Christ has given the ministry to the Church, and that a valid ministry is sustained, not by a succession of orders but by conformity to what is taught in the New Testament. When, as at the Reformation, truth had been obscured, and the Church corrupted, it was the duty of believing people to set non-essentials aside for the sake of fidelity to Christ, and to promote a thorough reform, as was done to a great extent in countries which in principle adopted the Presbyterian form of Government.

I am, &c., PRESBYTER EPISCOPAS.

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To produce real genuine sleep and childlike repose all night, take a little American Co.'s Hop Bitters on retiring. Look for.—[ADVT.]

LAND APPEAL CASES.

STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER.

Yesterday morning a sitting for the hearing of appeals under the Crown Lands Act of 1884, was held at the Department of Lands before the Hon. J. P. Abbott, Minister for Lands. The following officials were present:—Mr. Charles Oliver, Under-Secretary for Lands; and Mr. F. A. Wilson, registrar.

Mr. ABBOTT, before dealing with the appeal cases, made the following statement:—I have recently received some complaints from conditional purchasers as to the treatment which they have been subjected to at the hands of persons whom they have employed as their agents to transact business for them in connection with the Lands Department in Sydney. The conduct of a few agents in making extortionate charges, and in obtaining money from people which they had never a right to get, has, and is bringing discredit upon the whole body of land agents, which is most unjust to a very large section of those gentlemen who do their work well, and make moderate charges. I know well similar complaints are made against persons of the legal profession who make outrageous charges, and at times obtain money for their clients, which they fail to account for. Fortunately for the public, professional persons guilty of such conduct can be met by the law, the client can have the bill of costs of such persons taxed when rendered to him, and should any misappropriation of clients' money be made, the Court has power to absolutely prevent such persons from practising as attorneys; and should there be any failure to pay over money to clients when ordered by the Court, it may order imprisonment. There are no such powers by which land agents may be dealt with who make excessive charges, or appropriate their clients' money. The class of persons who suffer most at the hands of dishonest and unscrupulous agents are poor men who have not the means or knowledge to enable them to have their wrongs remedied. I am now induced to make these remarks because of cases which have recently been brought under my notice. I shall refer to two of these cases without giving the names of the persons who have complained. I adopt this course because I am not now anxious to make any statements about these cases by which the parties may be identified before I have fully investigated them. In one case a selector writes:—"I selected a 320 acre portion—the land was up for sale. I selected the said land the last day of selection under the old Act. The Crown land agent took my money under protest; told me he could not stop the sale. I telegrammed to the Minister and stopped the sale. I showed my receipts to the Chairman of the Board of Inquiry; he told me to hold the land; that they could not do me out of it. Some time after I was summoned before the board it was against me. I hired ———, an agent; he told me to send £70 for improvements to pay into the Treasury on my behalf. He told me he would pull me through. He sent me a letter telling me he had received the £70, and would let me know how things progressed. I wrote several letters to him, and can get no answer. I paid £80 to select, and £70 for improvements; I paid £150 on the whole land. I took the land up honestly; therefore I think I am entitled to it; I have neither money nor land." I may add that in this case the Department never called upon the selector to pay the £70, and the Treasury never got it. In another case an application was made on behalf of a selector for the refund of £160, the selection being declared void. The land agent wrote one letter, and three days after writing this letter the refund voucher was issued, and for his services the agent made a charge of £40, or one-fourth of the whole sum to be refunded to the selector. These two cases speak volumes, and I would ask all the agents in the city who can do so to help me to put a stop to such nefarious practices as those referred to in the cases I have alluded to; it is to the interest of the responsible land agent to do so, and those gentlemen shall have my warmest aid and support in suppressing such practices. In the case now alluded to and in all similar cases for the future I shall refer the complaints to the agent whose conduct is questioned for his explanation, and if he declines to give one, or tenders an unsatisfactory statement, I shall have the matter made public in the Court of Appeal, and shall then give instructions to the officers of the department that the correspondence of such agents is not to be replied to, and that they shall not obtain any information from the department. By this means alone is it in my power to put a stop to practices which have in the past brought, and will in the future bring, the whole administration of the department into disgrace. At all times, as I do now, I shall recognise the fact that the great bulk of the land agents are men of the highest character, who do their work well. The work of the department is vigorously pushed on, as I hope it will be, by local administration, then the necessity for land agents will be reduced to a minimum.

CLARK V. CLONAN.

In this case John Kerr Clark appealed against the decision of the Land Board at Tamworth, in granting a conditional lease, under the 54th section of the Crown Lands Act of 1884, to William Clonan, out of the leasehold area of his Ghoolendoodi holding. The following cases were also called at the same time:—Clark v. Thomas Dillon, sen., in which the appellant appealed against the decision of the Tamworth Land Board in granting a conditional lease under the 54th section of the Crown Lands Act of 1884, to Thomas Dillon, sen., out of the leasehold area of his Ghoolendoodi holding; also, against decision of Land Board, Tamworth, granting a conditional lease under the 54th section of the Crown Lands Act of 1884, to George William Darcy, out of the leasehold area of his Ghoolendoodi holding; and also against decision of Land Board, Tamworth, granting a conditional lease, under the 54th section of the Crown Lands Act of 1884, to Mary Cecilia Clonan, out of the leasehold area of his Ghoolendoodi holding.

Mr. Abbott, in dealing with the cases, said they were all governed by the decision he laid down in regard to the case of Bloomfield and Kerr, and he should therefore dismiss the appeals, allowing Clonan £10 as costs.

DOUGLAS V. ROLLS.

In this case John Douglas appealed against decision of the Land Board at Moree, refusing his application for a conditional lease under the 54th section of the Crown Lands Act of 1884, on the ground that the land had been previously applied for under the same section by Thomas Rolls.

Mr. Dodds appeared for the appellant. The appeal was sustained, and £2 2s. was allowed as costs.

CONDITIONAL LEASE.

Richard Braid Ingall, of the Murrundi district, appealed against the decision of the local Land Board in refusing to grant the whole of the area applied for by him as a conditional lease. Mr. Lovien appeared in support of the appeal.

Mr. ABBOTT said the matter was one which the board could better inquire into than he could, and he should therefore refer the matter back to the board for report.

CONDITIONAL PURCHASE.

Robert Nicholl Leslie appealed against a decision of the Land Board at Forbes, refusing his applications for a conditional purchase, and for a conditional lease in virtue thereof, on the ground that the land applied for as a conditional purchase is not to be used for his sole use and benefit. The appellant appeared in person. He stated that the conditional purchase was made on the 6th August, 1885, at Parkes, with a conditional lease for 1260 acres; also an addition on the 20th August, 1885, for 40 acres. The applications were all in order, and all things relating to the application, as provided by the first part of the Act, appeared to have been complied with on the 26th of August. He was summoned to appear before the board on the 18th September, when the matter was to have been dealt with. He did so, and the chairman expressed himself satisfied, and said there was no objection to the application. He took this to be binding on the part of the board, and submitted that the re-hearing of the case in November was beyond the power of the board. It would appear that the chairman had been guided by the recent decision in the case of the A. J. S. Bank and the Grenfell Land Board. The answer to the 7th question in the declaration was made faithfully, believing his partner's interest his own. It could not possibly have been any advantage to him to have made a false statement, for he was well known to the board, and so was also his relation to the Billabong station. And on the other hand, under the 26th clause, he would have been liable to forfeit his deposit on the application, and by the 122nd clause would have rendered himself liable for a misdemeanour; he did not think it could be admitted that he had done that, and if not, his application must be good. Again, the selection was taken for the purpose of building a new home station for the better working of the run. At present the homestead—some 24 miles away—was small, and in a bad position in regard to working the run. He trusted the Minister would give the matter his consideration, for his decision would be an established precedent in the office for future guidance. He did not think there was anything in the Act to prevent a partner from taking a selection even though he drew on the station account; which would only lead him to make another entry to the debit of the account.

Mr. ABBOTT, after having taken the facts of the case into consideration, said he should sustain the appeal. He did not think the board had any power to inquire into the matter of the conditional purchase until the matter had been referred to the Minister. That had not been done in this case. With regard to the money being used, being money of a partnership, that was nothing to do with it. It would be stretching a clause of the Act to hold that the appellant's partner had an interest in the matter. He should sustain the appeal and allow the selection.

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONAL PURCHASE.

William Jones appealed against a decision of the Land Board of Tamworth, refusing his application for an additional conditional purchase, on the ground that the land was applied for in virtue of an additional conditional purchase, the original selection not having been transferred to him.

Mr. Canaway appeared on behalf of the appellant, and contended that where the conditions had been fulfilled on the original selection the selector might transfer all the conditions, and the person to whom he was transferring might make additions to them.

Mr. Abbot pointed out that such a thing could not be allowed, and if it was allowed, where were they to place the limit.

Appeal dismissed.

ADAMS V. GILL.

Alfred Augustus Adams appealed against a decision of the Land Board at Moree, granting a conditional lease, under the 54th section of the Crown Lands Act of 1884, to John Gill, out of the leasehold area of his Ginorci holding.

This appeal was dismissed, on the ground of a former decision. Costs to be refunded.

This concluded the business.

LAW REPORT.

SUPREME COURT.—WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16.

Banco Court.—(Before his Honor the CHIEF JUSTICE *and a jury of four.)*

HOWELL V. CARNE (PART HEARD).

This was an action brought by the plaintiff, Mrs. Howell, widow and administratrix of William Alfred Howell, who was killed on the 9th February last by the fall of an awning in front of a building in George-street, which was being repaired and rebuilt by the defendant.

Mr. Heydon, instructed by Messrs. Slattery and Heydon, for the plaintiff: Mr. M. H. Stephen and Mr. Field, instructed by Mr. T. M. Williamson, for the defendant.

The hearing of this case was commenced on Friday, and continued on Monday and yesterday, and was brought to an end this morning.

The CHIEF JUSTICE, in summing up to the jury, said that this was an action brought by the administratrix of a deceased husband for the benefit of herself, the widow, and her nine children. The statute by virtue of which this action was brought, entitled "An Act for Compensating the Families of Persons Killed by Accidents" (11 Victoria, No. 32), had been in force over 30 years. The jury would have to award such damages as they might, in the words of the Act, "think proportioned to the injury, resulting from such death, to the parties respectively for whom and for whose benefit such action shall be brought." The circumstances were these. In front of a house in George-street, a verandah was allowed to be put up. It was an awning resting on solid posts, connected with strong rafters to the house, and covered with corrugated iron. It was 42 feet in length. There was no Act affirmatively authorising the erecting of an awning until 1879, when the City of Sydney Improvement Act (4 Vic., No. 25) was passed. [His Honor here read section 37 of that Act.] The thing authorised was an "awning portico or other thing" (*i.e.*, of the same kind). There was no authority given to the city surveyor or to the corporation to allow an erection upon which timber might be stored, such a structure, for example, as in the present case. The only object which the Legislature could have had in view in thus allowing the encroachment of verandahs upon the streets was to allow provision for shelter from the sun or rain. The structure now in question was a very solid one, and more than what was popularly considered an awning. For many years the passage was used by carts and drays, and shortly before this accident a great many loads had been carted through—one witness said as many as 500 had come out. This was necessitated by the alterations that were going on. One of the posts to the south of the gateway showed numerous marks of knocks and blows upon it, and at length it was found necessary to cover it with iron ¼-inch in thickness. Now, everyone of the public was entitled to go along the highways and streets without impediment, at his will and pleasure; and in the building of awnings, &c., reasonable regard must be had to the safety of the public. All reasonable precautions must be taken to guard against probable contingencies. When carts were going backwards and forwards on a stone incline horses were liable to slip, and any man would know that there must be probable danger of the carts striking the supports of the awning. Therefore, all reasonable precautions should be taken. There was the probable danger of a collision, and the structure should be made so as to sustain a reasonable shock, and above all no heavy weight should be put upon it, so that if it did come down life would be endangered. He made these preliminary remarks with reference to the evidence given by architects and surveyors that the awning would bear heavy weights. That was not the question. It was not the question whether they could put five tons or 20 or 30 tons there. It was for the jury to say whether it was reasonable to put heavy weights there at all, and whether the weight of the timber was of such a character as to endanger the safety of the public. One witness said the blow was tremendous; another said it was a slight one; another said it would come down by its own weight. The right view of this case was not that suggested by the architects and surveyors, but was to be found in the theory of a labourer, Thomas Brown, which was to his Honor's mind the most rational one that was put before the jury. Brown said: "I do not think the verandah was safe for the public to pass under. I was at the back at the time of the accident. I saw the cart strike the verandah post very slightly. I think it was the vibration that brought it down." Was that a reasonable view? Where there was a heavy weight a slight vibration would bring it down; where there was a slight weight or no weight at all that would not occur. Now, what was this weight put there for? One witness said it was put there to protect the public. But the foreman carpenter said that the first tier of timber was put there to protect the corrugated iron roof, which was not to be disturbed. He said: "In protecting the roof we protected the public." And that was the man who actually did it, and who knew what the object was. There could be no doubt that the timber was put there for their own convenience. If the jury would bear in mind all the circumstances of the case, the nature of the awning, the danger of putting the weights there, the vibration from carts striking the posts—they would have little difficulty in coming to a decision. Was it at all a reasonable thing that this should have been done? He would ask them to answer this question: Was the placing of the boards on the verandah dangerous to the safety of persons using the footpath underneath? He asked them to answer that question, because it referred exactly to the case of Clark v. Chambers (3 Q. B. D., 327), where, that very question having been answered in the affirmative, it was held that the action would lie. Considering where these boards were put, independently of the weight, whether 5 or 20 tons, was the placing them there dangerous to the public? As to the damages, if they gave any, it was their duty to give such as would be a fair compensation for the death of the husband. The widow said his earnings were, on an average, from £3 to £4 per week. But she was the only one who gave any evidence of that. She seemed intelligent and acquainted with business. She said he was sometimes earning £3 a week as a draper's assistant, and sometimes sold drapery on commission, and would make as much as £4 a week, and that his work fluctuated. She also said her husband was a fairly sober man, but occasionally intemperate. On the other hand, five witnesses swore that he was not a sober man; that he was constantly muddled or fuddled, and unable to attend to his business. From this it seemed clear that the estimate put before them by the plaintiff's witnesses was altogether an exaggerated one. That was a matter entirely for them (the jury), and they would have to take a common-sense view of it. They must take a fair and liberal view without any bias one way or the other. They must remember that the burden of looking after the family was upon the wife even before her husband's death. Then, having found the amount, they would have to apportion it amongst the widow and the nine children, as by sec. 2 of the Act (11 Vic. No. 32) certain costs had to be deducted according to those proportions.

The jury after some consideration answered the question put to them by his Honor in the affirmative, and found a verdict for the plaintiff for £1300, apportioning £400 to the widow, and £100 to each of the nine children.

QUEEN V. COOPER.

Mr. M. H. Stephen, Q.C., Mr. Rogers, and Mr. C. B. Stephen, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, for the plaintiff; Mr. Darley, Q.C., Mr. Pilcher, and Mr. O'Connor, instructed by Messrs. Iceton and Faithful, for the defendant.

The Crown in this action proceeds against the defendant, Wm. Cooper, upon a writ of intrusion in respect to a strip of land about two miles in length by eight chains in depth, fronting the Gardiner's-road, Botany. The defendant sets up a possessory title, and says that the land has been granted by the Crown.

Mr. Darley, in opening the case to the jury, said that in these proceedings the defendant had to commence. He put in a number of grants, in order to show that the land mentioned in the writ had been granted by the Crown. It was described as being to the south-west point of Terry's grant of 1823. The descriptions and three subsequent grants to Winders, Hutchinson, and Holt completely shut in the S.W. point of Terry's grant.

Thomas Buckland, agent of the Waterloo Estate, stated that he had known the land in question since 1833. It was let by the Cooper family to one Fitzgibbons for grazing purposes in 1855. It had been occupied as part of the Waterloo Estate. In 1859 he and Sir Daniel Cooper, acting as trustees of the estate, fenced in the land along the Gardiners'-road. When cross-examined the witness stated that until lately they had claimed the land in question as part of Hutchinson's grant, but having learned something more, this claim was not now put forth. The land was now claimed by way of possessory title against the original grantees, four of whom were dead. In 1857 the Government had sold a quantity of land on the western boundary of the land in dispute, but the Cooper family raised a strong protest at the time, and there was a long correspondence with the Government on the subject. Mr. Darley put in the will of the late Daniel Cooper, dated 4th March, 1852, and closed his case.

Mr. M. H. Stephen said the case would after all turn upon a question of law. The defendant had given very weak evidence as to possession.

His HONOR said that the erection of a fence, if accompanied by a claim of all the land up to it, was the very strongest evidence as to possession.

Mr. Stephen said he would like to have it recorded that the grantees on the other side of the road had the full length of their lines and more than their acreage.

Duncan M. Maitland was called to prove that he had had surveyed several of the grants to the south of the road, including A. Burns' and Hatfield's 65 acres. Taking Cook's River as the basis of the former as described in the grant, he had worked through Hatfield's grant, and had come out on the old Botany-road; none of the surveys he had made or verified came up to the fence on the southern side of Gardiner's-road.

Thomas Harris, George Stiff, George Goddard, George Burgess, and William Harris, residents of Botany from 30 to 40 years' standing, all swore that prior to the erection of the fence by the defendant, there was a strip of land called Solomon's Island, upon which they cut timber, ferns, and other stuff without let or hindrance, but if they went beyond that they had to account to the bailiff of the Waterloo Estate. Two of these witnesses spoke of Government works that existed some distance inside the present fence.

The case stands as part heard.

Jury Court.—(Before his Honor Mr. Justice FAUCETT *and jury of four.)*

JONES V. HILL (PART HEARD).

Mr. G. B. Simpson and Mr. Armstrong, instructed by Messrs. Want, Johnson, and Co., for the plaintiff; Mr. Darley, Q.C., and Mr. Pilcher, instructed by Messrs. Jones and Jones, for the defendant.

This is an action in which James Jones is the plaintiff, and Richard Hill defendant, and the case was originally heard to try certain issues under the Real Property Act as to the ownership of four and a-half acres of land on the Bunnerong-road. The issues are,—1. What land is included in the conveyance of the 2nd May, 1856, Fisher to Perry? 2. Is the alleged excess of land in claimant's statement included in the said conveyance? 3. What land is included in the conveyance of the 13th December, 1876, Hill and another to the caveator? 4. What land is included in the conveyance of the 29th June, 1883? 5. Whether the caveator has a possessory title to the land caveated sufficient to oust the claimant, if any? 6. Whether the claimant has been out of possession of the land caveated more than 20 years? This action was first tried before Mr. Justice Windeyer and a jury of four, in September, 1884, when defendant's counsel submitted, at the close of plaintiff's case, that the jury should be directed that the land included in the conveyance to the claimant was only 13¼ acres, and did not comprise that now in dispute, as the boundaries could not be fixed; that there was not sufficient evidence to show where the excess of land was; and there was no evidence of possession by the plaintiff. His Honor so directed the jury, and a verdict was accordingly entered for the defendant. The case then went before the Full Court, when it was decided that it was impossible for the jury to find either for the plaintiff or the defendant on the questions submitted to them, and they had found in a way they were not justified in doing, seeing that they had no jurisdiction. In directing a new trial, the Court held that the fourth issue must be omitted, and new questions submitted as follows:—Does the southern boundary of lot 4 of Fisher's subdivision of Bell's grant of 68 acres lie to the north of the land in dispute? Is the southern boundary of the lot 4, also the northern boundary of the land, in dispute? Is the caveator in occupation of the full quantity of 13 acres 2 roods irrespective of the land in dispute? The case has now come on for hearing a second time. This case, which was commenced on Monday, and lasted all through yesterday, again occupied the whole day.

The evidence was concluded, and Mr. Pilcher for the defendant had not concluded his address to the jury when the Court rose.

Darlinghurst Court.—(Before his Honor Mr. Justice INNES.)

TOSH V. SOUTH COAST AND WEST CAMDEN CO-OPERATIVE CO.

Mr. Reid and Mr. Field, instructed by Messrs. Creagh and Williams, for the plaintiff; the Attorney-General and Mr. Pring, instructed by Mr. Marshall, for the defendants. In this case, which was part heard on Tuesday, his Honor summed up, and a verdict was returned for the plaintiff for £300.

WELTON V. PROUDFOOT AND OTHERS.

The plaintiff, who was represented by Mr. Pilcher and Mr. O'Connor, instructed by Want, Johnson, and Want, is the official liquidator of the Oriental Bank Corporation. The defendants were unrepresented. The action was brought to recover the amount of an overdraft allowed to the defendants, who were, at the time it was granted, contractors for the Illawarra railway. A verdict was given for £5057 15s. 7d., the amount of the overdraft, and interest on it to date.

BLAKE V. MEAD AND ANOTHER.

This was an action brought to recover £105 paid as the purchase money of a share in a business carried on by Mrs. Mead. Mr. E. P. Field, instructed by Mr. Newell, appeared for the plaintiff; and Dr. Sly, instructed by Mr. Sly, for the defendant. The plaintiff said that the defendant represented the business as being a governesses and tutors' institute, and bringing in a net profit of £400 a-year; she paid £105 as purchase-money, and remained eight months in the business. The gross receipts were only £80 for the first six months. The defendant promised to refund the £105 on completing the sale of an hotel in which she was interested, and asked the plaintiff to first give the business a further trial. After the plaintiff had been in the business some considerable time she found out that the business was not only that of a governesses and tutors' institute, but that combined with it a matrimonial agency was conducted. Some of the entries of applicants in the matrimonial line were as follows: "Mr. A. S., storekeeper, at C., requires a wife, fair and under 25. He is passably good looking, corpulent, healthy, dark hair, moustache, but obliged to wear eyeglass, being shortsighted; only been 10 months from Europe, been in Germany and France." "Mr. C. E., aged 30, Protestant, restaurant or hotelkeeper, wishes to get a wife to go into business with as either of the above; middle height; colour, neither fair nor dark; requires a girl about 25, of good appearance and manner; has £500; must be Protestant or freethinker." The defendant produced a book containing entries of applicants for governesses' and tutors' position during the year 1884, the fees paid by whom amounted to £396. The origin of the matrimonial business was through squatters who were widowers writing to the female defendant, and asking her to send them up governesses who were thoroughly well educated, in order that, if they got on well together, they might make them their wives. The defendant said that of 700 governesses for whom she had obtained places, 14 of them had married their employers, this being at the rate of two per cent. She explained several of the matrimonial entries—who the parties were, where they had gone to, &c. She said she had done no matrimonial business since plaintiff had joined her, excepting in one or two instances. The defendant was ill for five months, and the business fell off through her inability to attend to it, and the plaintiff's ignorance of it. The cross-examination went to show that there were several entries in the book shown to plaintiff which did not pertain to the governess

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

THE ANNUAL COMMEMORATION.

The annual commemoration of the Sydney Grammar chool was held yesterday afternoon in the school all, College-street, more than ordinary interest attaching to the proceedings on account of the presence of Lord and the Hon. Lady Carrington. The hall was very tastefully decorated with flags and evergreens, and was crowded by friends of the scholars. Amongst those who were present were the following:—Sir Alfred Stephen, G.C.M.G. (Lieutenant-Governor), Hon. W. J. Trickett (Minister of Public Instruction), Mr. H. C. Russell (Government Astronomer), Mr. George Knox, Professors Stephens, Gurney, Scott, and Anderson Stuart; Revs. Dr. Corlette, Principal Kinross, H. L. Jackson, A. W. Pain, J. D. Langley, and the masters of the school. The following members of the board of trustees were also present:—His Honor Mr. Justice Windeyer (chairman), Mr. A. J. Cape (vice-chairman), and Mr. A. H. M'Culloch, M.L.A. Mr. Justice Windeyer presided. A guard of honour was formed by members of the Sydney Grammar School Cadet Corps, under Drill-Instructor Sergeant Hagney. His Excellency and the Hon. Lady Carrington, accompanied by the Hon. Judith Harbord and suite, arrived punctually, and were met by the members of the board of trustees as named above, and also by Mr. A. B. Weigall, B.A., head master of the school. The entrance of the vice-regal party to the hall was the signal for hearty cheering, the whole audience rising.

The CHAIRMAN said they were met for the purpose of receiving the reports of the examiners upon the work of the school, as well as for the distribution of the prizes to the boys. (Applause.) From the reports he was glad to find that the examiners, though they did not seem disposed to flatter the school, were of opinion that it had well maintained its reputation for efficiency, and reflected credit upon the head master and the able staff of assistants engaged in teaching. (Applause.) Moreover, the published reports of the result of the public examinations lately held at the University showed that the Sydney Grammar School boys were still taking the premier places amongst the candidates presenting themselves for examination. (Cheers.) It was a fact that the school only stood second in point of numbers, but that circumstance was accounted for by the recollection that the school aimed not simply at preparing boys for public examination, but devoted its energies to the higher work of preparing them for the University. But to a boy leaving school to begin the business of life the possession of a certificate was a possession of value, inasmuch as it was a credential of his educational attainments. But it was not so in the case of one who was proceeding to the University, and as a parent he would rather discourage any of his sons from distracting their attention by going in for the junior public examinations. Parents who were practically interested in the management of the school, on account of having children there, would be glad to learn that the Minister of Public Instruction had consented to ask Parliament for funds to enable the trustees to discontinue the use of the basement premises of the building —(cheers)—as many complaints had reached the trustees from time to time as to the closeness and unsuitability of those premises for teaching purposes. They would have the use of the premises at present used by the head master, enabling them to meet the increasing demand for further accommodation, and they had to thank the Minister of Public Instruction, who was himself an old Grammar School boy—(cheers)—for the personal and lively interest he had taken in the welfare of his old school. He could not sit down without thanking his Excellency the Governor for being present—(applause) —and he congratulated his Excellency upon the fact that the first occasion of his appearance among them in public was one connected with the intellectual progress of the country, a country to which he had come to be trusted, to lay the foundation of a brilliant career in the service of the great empire to which they all belonged. He also thanked Lady Carrington for the honour she had done them in consenting to present the medal won at the late meeting of the New South Wales Rifle Association. (Applause.)

REPORTS OF THE EXAMINERS.

Mr. E. J. ROBSON read the following reports:—"It is my duty as examiner in the classical and modern sides of the Sydney Grammar School to report to you the results of the examination lately held under my supervision. I have examined the former in Greek and Latin, the latter in Latin, French, and German, while I am also indirectly responsible for the results in English and chemistry. The aim of the classical side of the school is to employ the classics as a means of training the mind; the aim of the modern side, to give instruction of a practical value in more modern subjects. It is my duty as examiner to express my opinion as to how far the school has succeeded in these respective aims. First, I will take the classical side. I find in the Lower Forms a very successful endeavour in initiating young boys in the rudiments of Latin. Both in paper work and *viva voce* I have obtained highly satisfactory results. Coming up the school, I find the study of Syntax carefully graduated. It is in the study of the construction of these languages that their educational value, in my opinion, chiefly resides. I have therefore ventured, in the detailed report appended below, to remark somewhat strongly on the results I have obtained in this department. In the Upper Forms you will see that I scarcely consider that the knowledge of syntax displayed comes up to the standard that might be expected from so systematised a scheme of progressive training. I should here be inclined to point out rather forcibly the strict necessity of a study of ancient history, were it not that I understand that attention is in future to be paid to this subject in the upper forms. I have found everything else very satisfactory. The style of the work in each form is of a high order. In the sixth form, which one may take as the index of the success of the sum total of the school's training, I gained no small pleasure from looking over certain papers—all being in unprepared work. I must confess that the results far surpass my expectation. In the forms below the sixth, I found the work on the whole well done. I should perhaps mention that in the upper fifth a greater evenness of results would have been desirable; but from returns received as to the various lengths of time that the different boys have been in that form, I can fully account for this failing. The other forms display a very tolerable evenness. In the Modern school I have much pleasure in speaking highly of the results attained in the German papers. That language I consider the best substitute for Greek—if one is wanted—and it is gratifying to find a good foundation laid for its study. In French the results were not so strikingly satisfactory. The modern side, however, can scarcely be said to have had a fair trial. In languages, at any rate, it has scarcely had time to get beyond the rough cutting-out work. For myself, I should be glad to see it in a short time fully establish its identity, and then proceed to teach modern languages as they ought to be taught—not by the aid so much, of uninteresting grammars, but by going straight to the rich founts of modern European literature. Systematic grammar is quite as much a secondary consideration in the study of modern languages as it is of primary and sovereign importance in the study of the classics. In Latin the modern forms have acquitted themselves fairly. Having in many instances not had the advantage of the training of the Lower school before entering the modern, it is scarcely to be expected that they can reach a high standard of accuracy. As regards the authors read, I should recommend that they should read prose works rather than poetry, and historical works in preference to others. I append the reports of the examiners of the Modern school in English and chemistry." He also read the following report of Mr. J. W. Longsdon, Exhibitioner in Modern History and Languages of St. John's College, Oxford:—"I have to report upon the English subjects of the modern side. The examination consisted of grammar, including dictation and parsing, composition, Shakespeare's Henry V., history generally, including a specially prepared period, and geography. The grammar was fair throughout. The composition shows an average of 35 per cent. in Modern I. This form is capable of improvement in the general style of their work,—in orthography and grammatical correctness. Modern II. shows an average of 50 per cent., and Modern III. 42 per cent. The composition of Modern II. was really good throughout, and showed a satisfactory state of intelligence and accuracy. The style of the papers too was good. The same applies in a slightly less degree to Modern III. The Shakespeare papers failed in knowledge of the subject. The average was 20 per cent. It is fair to add that a few papers were intelligently appreciative. The history was very fair throughout: Modern II show an average of nearly 50 per cent. The other two forms 40 per cent. The subject had been very carefully and successfully worked up. In geography the results were almost as satisfactory; 42 per cent. was the average. The average for all the subjects was 39 per cent. Modern II. being slightly in excess of the other two forms."

The report of Mr. T. S. Hall, exhibitioner in natural science at the University of Melbourne, was also read as follows:—"Chemistry: The work of the class taken as a whole is good, and the cases where a boy has utterly broken down are very few. There is, as usual in examinations, a percentage of candidates who answer without thought, and who pour forth a flood of learning on matters foreign to the one on which information was asked. The answers show that the experimental part of the work has not been neglected, as the colours of compounds and the other peculiarities noticed in experiments are generally accurately stated. The first division, however, is not well up in the natural history of ores, and in the uses of metals in the arts. As regards the second division, they do not as a rule understand how to explain the meaning of a chemical formula, and none of them scored any marks in the last question of the paper."

Mr. A. Newham, B.A., Tutor and Lecturer, Trinity College, Melbourne, Scholar of St. John's College, Cambridge, made the following report:—"I have great pleasure in reporting to you, as the result of examinations conducted by me in this school, that the knowledge of mathematics displayed by the boys throughout the school is on the whole very satisfactory. This is especially noticeable in arithmetic, a subject which so often proves a stumbling block to schoolboys. The papers which I set the one for the first six divisions of the Upper School, the other for Divisions VII. and VIII. of the Upper School, and L.V. of the Lower School, were quite as stiff as those usually set before schoolboys, and rather harder, if anything, than those set by my predecessor last year. The results obtained on these papers (as will be seen by the detailed report) were very satisfactory. The divisions, without exception, got a high average percentage, and, better still, in most cases the marks of the lower boys in the different divisions do not differ very much from those of the boys at the top of the class, showing that the teaching on this subject is very conscientious and thorough. I think the teaching staff of the school is to be very highly congratulated on the extremely small proportion of boys who have done badly in arithmetic. In algebra the Lower School did very well indeed, but I do not think the test applied was a very thorough one. In the first place, there is only one paper set in euclid and algebra together, so that the boys are fatigued by writing out long propositions of euclid before they attempt the algebra at all. Moreover, it is impossible to compare the work of boys, some of whom may have given nearly all their time to one-half of the paper, while others have apportioned it equally between the two. In the second place, I found—when it was too late to make any change—that I had set a paper which did not cover the whole range of the candidates' work. As far as they were able to show their knowledge, they did very well indeed. The upper school algebra was not quite so satisfactory. The elementry portions of the subject are well understood, but there seemed a general tendency to shirk the harder questions, and a good deal of the work sent up was wanting in style. The same remarks will apply to euclid. Speaking generally, the propositions were very well written out throughout the school; but the deductions set were too little attempted, and the attempts sent up were in too many instances failures. This does not arise from any want of intelligence among the boys, or any deficiency of good material, but from the shortness of the time given to mathematics, which I have found by inquiry only amounts to seven hours per week in the upper school and six hours in the lower, of which only two are given to euclid. As any one engaged in teaching mathematics knows, there is a sticking point where a boy has acquired a sound elementary knowledge of his subjects, and has to begin reasoning for himself. The impression left on my mind, by what I have seen of the work of Sydney Grammar School, is that a great many boys have reached this point, but far too few have got beyond it; nor do I see how this can be altered without increasing the time devoted to mathematics, and thereby trespassing on the other work of the school. In trigonometry, I was very agreeably surprised by the work of Division I. and the part of Division II. who were under examination. This subject, involving as it does the use of new principles, almost invariably proves a great difficulty to schoolboys; I was therefore gratified to find so much intelligence and sound knowledge displayed in all the papers sent up to me for inspection. In conclusion, I must refer to the higher mathematical work of the school, in which I received papers from five boys in different stages of progress. Of these the most advanced are Thompson, I., and Lloyd, who ran neck and neck with each other throughout the examination, and ought both to make good mathematicians. (Cheers.) I must also mention Stephen II., who, as far as his reading extends, is quite equal to the other two. All his work is remarkable for its neatness, thoroughness, and accuracy. I regard him as the most promising boy in the school." (Applause.)

Mr. WEIGALL, who was received with prolonged applause by the boys, said that, on behalf of the masters and boys of the school, he begged to thank his Excellency for attending on that occasion, and his kindness in that respect had been very much enhanced by the presence of Lady Carrington. (Cheers.) He needed not to assure his Excellency that his presence and that of Lady Carrington was a very great encouragement to all who were interested in the welfare of the school. (Applause.) He could well fancy that, with the memory of the great public schools in England still fresh in his mind, his Excellency would find some difficulty in believing that the dingy building in which they were met contained a school which had some claim to be regarded as one of the leading schools in Australia—(applause)—as it would be only natural to suppose that if that claim were founded on fact it would have received recognition in the erection of a building a little more suited to the requirements of modern education. (Cheers.) That the building was quite inadequate to their wants was generally admitted, but beyond that very little had been done, and under existing circumstances very little could be done. He could only trust that, as in that hall they must remember the name of Sir Hercules Robinson as that of the first Governor who had brought the wants of the school into prominent notice, so they might remember his Excellency's government of this colony by some event showing his practical acknowledgment of the wants of the school, in definite steps taken to supply those wants. He hoped that the time would come when they should have the pleasure of welcoming his Excellency and Lady Carrington in a building a little more worthy of their visitors, and a little less unworthy of the school. (Cheers.) The external surroundings of a school were important, as they were necessary conditions for the formation of habits of refinement, neatness, and order; still he need not tell them that there was a higher life than school. So long as he saw that the school was steadily improving in its standard of knowledge; so long as he knew that the increase of knowledge was accompanied by a spirit of modesty and reverence, and that the various organisations of the school were in a flourishing condition; so long as he knew they were making serious efforts in the direction of greater truthfulness and purity, so long would he feel that the school was rising to some appreciation of that higher life. In reference to the reports which had been read he did not intend to detain them with any remarks, but he desired to thank the examiners for the kind terms in which they had spoken of the work of the school, and still more for the judicious criticism with which their reports were marked. There was one incident about that day's meeting which had afforded him much gratification, and would be very gratifying to many members of the company. After many years' absence they had the pleasure of welcoming within those walls the first head master of the school—(cheers)—Professor Stephens, bringing with him the prestige of a brilliant academical career. (Cheers.) He again thanked his Excellency and Lady Carrington for their presence on that occasion. (Prolonged applause.)

His Excellency then presented the prizes to the respective prize-winners, as under:—Knox Prizes.—1. Thompson 1, 2. M'Clelland 1. Windeyer Essay.—Shakespeare a Product as well as a Producer. Thompson 1. Knox Latin Prose Prize—Thompson 1. Cape Verse Prize—Thompson 1. General Prizes.—Given to all boys who gain three first classes during the year. Thompson 1, Hunt 1, Lloyd 1, M'Neil 1, Ford 1, M'Neil 2, Stephen 2, Anderson 1, Taylor 1, Kethel, M'Clelland 1, Lewington, Waldron 2, Godfrey, Sharpe. Form Prizes.—VI. Thompson 1. V. Stephen 2. IV. Watt 2. Remove—M'Pherson 3; moderns 1—Poole; moderns 2—Taylor 2; moderns 3—Logan 1; moderns 4—Small; III. A—Sharpe, Newman 1; B—Addison 1, Waldron 2; II. A—Jones 2, Weigall 2; B—Cox, Pain 1; I. A—Sorrie; B—Ruutz; C—M'Knight 2. Mathematical Prizes: Thompson 1, Lloyd 1, Stephen 2, M'Intyre, Moline 1, Kinross 1, Brereton 1, Parker 1, Ross, Walker, Sapsford, Menzies 1, Neich 2, O'Keefe, Black, Godfrey, Weigall 3, Flatau 1. German (given by Lord Augustus Loftus): Corlette 2. Quarterly Examination Prizes, April and September, 1885.—Upper school: Latin grammar, Thompson 1; Greek grammar, Stephen 2; English grammar, Thompson 1; French grammar, Deane 1; arithmetic, M'Neil 1. Lower school: Arithmetic, Menzies 1; English grammar, Waldron 2; French grammar, Colyer 1; Latin grammar, M'Clelland 1. Drawing: Poole. Bookkeeping: M'Kenny.

Lady Carrington, amidst the enthusiastic cheers of the boys and applause of the audience, presented the gold medal for the champion shot, won at the late meeting of the Rifle Association, to Sergeant R. Thomas, of the Sydney Grammar School C. C.

His EXCELLENCY, on rising to speak, was greeted with prolonged cheering. He said: I beg, in the name of Lady Carrington, as well as in my own, to express to you the very great pleasure it has afforded both of us to be present on this interesting occasion. (Cheers.) I also very respectfully beg to thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for the hearty, cordial, and kindly welcome with which you are pleased to receive us. (Cheers.) As regards this school, in whose honour we have the pleasure of being assembled today, I am told that it is the only public Grammar School in the whole of this great and important colony, and also that it has been established for over 30 years. From the records of the school I am pleased to learn that it has not only fulfilled the object for which it was founded, which was to connect primary education with the University, but that also the fruits of its teaching are beginning to show themselves, from the fact that many gentlemen who received their education at the Grammar School are now taking a prominent place in public life. (Applause.) Several members of the Government, several gentlemen high in office, have received their education within these walls. (Cheers.) From the reports which we have read I notice with pleasure that the education given throughout the school is of a satisfactory character. (Cheers.) The lower forms are evidently well grounded, while in the higher forms the standard in the examiners' opinion is equal to that reached by the highest forms of the best Public schools in England. (Cheers. I think the head master and his efficient staff of teachers are deserving of praise for the trouble, care, and anxiety they have shown in so good a cause. My young friends below will correct me if I am wrong; but from the cheers with which they greeted their head master when he rose to address them I conclude that they regard him not only with esteem, but with affection. (Cheers.) It gives me especial pleasure to notice that the German prize given by my noble friend the late Governor, Lord Augustus Loftus—to whom I am personally indebted for many kindnesses, and whose interest in this school is well known—has produced such happy results. And now I have one more duty to perform. As this is our first visit here, in Lady Carrington's name, as well as in my own, I am going to ask the trustees a favour. (Then turning to the chairman, he proceeded:) Will you kindly grant the school an extra week's holiday at Christmas? (Loud cheers.)

The CHAIRMAN said: I can only say it gives the trustees very great pleasure in complying with your Excellency's request. (Prolonged cheering from the boys.)

His EXCELLENCY continued: I thank you much, in the name of my young friends, for granting my request; and I beg to thank all the ladies and gentlemen present, in the name of my dear wife, as well as my own, for the kindly welcome which you have been pleased to extend to us to-day.

Cheers were then given for the Queen and Lord and Lady Carrington, and the proceedings terminated.

NEWINGTON COLLEGE.

ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The annual distribution of prizes took place at Newington College yesterday afternoon. There was a very large gathering of the relatives and friends of the pupils, and the large hall was completely filled. The Hon. E. Webb, M.L.C., presided. Prior to the commencement of the proceedings a pianoforte solo was played by Miss Fisher, and the business of the afternoon was introduced by the singing of a hymn and a prayer.

The PRESIDENT (the Rev. J. H. Fletcher) delivered an address, in which he referred gratefully to the assistance of various friends of the institution. They had had pleasing instances of the way in which Newington boys had spread themselves over the colony, and that they had turned out steady men. The great object kept in view was to carry out the conviction that the fear of the Lord was the beginning of wisdom, and although the religious element in this college had never been obtrusive, it had always been present. In proportion as boys reverenced God and His word and the great Saviour, so would they be disposed to reverence their parents, to love the true and the good, and to sympathise with and protect the weak. He had always tried to impress on the boys the great truth of salvation in Christ; but he knew no greater cause of harm to young people than making religious teaching a vexation in the shape of punishment, loss of playtime, or other means; and he concluded, from his varied colonial experience, that if Australian boys had the many social and domestic advantages by which English boys were surrounded they would grow up to be men such as need not fear to meet the men of any nation on the face of the earth. (Applause.)

The HEADMASTER (Mr. Williams) then read his report, from which we make the following extracts:—At matriculation all our candidates passed, while we won two out of the four places in the first class for mathematics, and gained the Barker Scholarship of £50. We also secured the first place in the second class of honours for classics. For the junior examination this year we suffered some severe disappointments, which had the effect of reducing the number of our candidates to 21, while two went up without our sanction or preparation, entirely on their own responsibility, from a lower form. Of our 21 nominees I am glad to say all passed, while one of our two free-lances justified his audacity by getting through. A silver medal is presented annually by the college to our most successful candidate in the junior, provided he has passed with sufficient distinction to deserve it. This year there are two so close that it is impossible to give either the priority. Nott and Robson both passed in the maximum number of subjects, and obtained four "highs" out of seven. Two medals will therefore be awarded this year. An analysis of the results shows some improvement in quality on last year's record. Though we passed the same number of candidates, we obtained this year 118 passes, as against 111 last year. I regret that the unusual tardiness of the University authorities in publishing the results of the public examinations deprives me of the pleasure of speaking of our successes in the senior, except by anticipation. We have sent up three candidates. It is a source of some disappointment and discouragement to me, and doubtless to others engaged in teaching, to see so many of our most promising scholars removed after passing the junior examination, just at the time when the results of our teaching are beginning to declare themselves. To many the junior forms the goal of their academic ambition; having achieved that triumph with more or less distinction, they cautiously decline to risk their laurels in the more arduous arena of the senior. This year I have been painfully impressed with the number of boys who, after passing the junior, have announced themselves as candidates for the next matriculation. Most of these are in my opinion too young and immature to profit by the more advanced teaching of the University. In England, students generally matriculate at Oxford and Cambridge between the ages of 19 and 21, and I believe it is found that the older the student (within reasonable limits) the more likely he is to be successful. Now I should like to see boys, who have passed the junior creditably, stay at the school and prepare for the next senior, or even the next but one, and then, after passing that, matriculate. Thus they would be likely to do justice to themselves, the College, and the University. If the expense be urged as an objection, we have three Wigram Allen scholarships, which we award every year, each enough to cover the school fees for the year; and our most deserving matriculant enters the University with the Schofield Scholarship of £50. There are, besides, the valuable emoluments offered by the University itself to meritorious students. It would be a noble deed if some wealthy old Newingtonians, who wish to testify their loyalty to the College, and to associate their name with its future, were to endow some Entrance Scholarships, by which we might attract promising boys to the school, who are now drawn by similar inducements to other institutions. Those who are more intimately connected with us may not unreasonably expect some account of the other interests that constitute the inner life of a great school. And without attempting to disparage the popular method of gauging our merits, I venture to submit that there are other considerations than mere success in the public examinations that a wise parent should weigh in choosing a school for his sons. The public examinations certify that we can teach arithmetic or Latin with moderate success, but are silent as to the more important question—Can we turn out young men who will become good citizens? Do we pay attention to their physical development by organising and encouraging athletic exercises? Do we not merely impart knowledge but train the mind? Do we teach them to be practical and business-like, by giving them the opportunity of taking an active part in the conduct of affairs in the little world of school? Do we train them in habits of diligence, obedience, and truthfulness? Why is an education at one of the great public schools of England—Eton or Rugby for example—so highly valued? Not because the pupils win the most scholarships at Oxford and Cambridge, for as a matter of fact other schools of less repute are more successful in this respect; but because the influences of the daily life there are such as to produce that noblest of all creations—an English gentleman. We cannot command the same subtle magic of grey walls and glorious master-rolls, but we can humbly endeavour to follow the same principles. We can make our school-life religious without bigotry, liberal without licence, varied without dissipation. We can include some of the graces and amenities of life, without neglecting the realities. We can train our boys to be self-reliant though disciplined; honest, straightforward, and truthful on principle, and not through fear of punishment—the same behind the back as before the face. We can inaugurate the reign of grace instead of the reign of law. Such is the spirit I earnestly desire to see dominating this institution. To promote this, we must all—masters and boys alike—set before ourselves a lofty standard of attainment, both moral and intellectual: we must throw ourselves heartily into every movement calculated to make the schoollife wider, brighter, and higher: we must do all we can to elevate the tone and purify the public opinion of the school. Above all, great responsibility rests upon the elder boys. The school will be largely what they make it by their influence and example. If they stand aloof from, or secretly disparage, the efforts made by others to benefit the school, these efforts will be unavailing; but if they sincerely sympathise and unselfishly co-operate, the good effect upon the younger boys will soon be manifest. To pass to more tangible methods. I had the honour and privilege of passing my noviciate of seven years as an assistant-master under the Rev. Dr. Moulton. At this school, the Eton of Methodism, I had the advantage of seeing all the activities of school life in full operation. There were the chemical laboratory, the carpenter's workshop, the metal workshop; there were the gymnasium, completely equipped, with its skilled instructor and regular classes; the museum, formed almost entirely by collections and contributions of the boys themselves; the patch of garden ground, with its miniature allotments, where a boy grew his own flowers, or, more frequently his mustard and cress or radishes for the tea table; the hutches, where he could keep his pets, his fowls, rabbits, pigeons, or even his magpie or half-tamed fox; the fives courts and racquet courts; the bicycle room, the bathing sheds, where every boy was taught to swim. For the mental life there were the school library and reading-room, liberally supplied with books, magazines, and newspapers in sufficient variety to meet all tastes and requirements; the two literary societies, the senior and the junior, which met weekly to read Shakespere or general selections, to debate or to practise the useful but difficult art of impromptu speaking; the natural history society, under the able and enthusiastic direction of the science master, A. S. H. Lucas, M.A., B. Sc., who is now at Wesley College, Melbourne, where papers were read or lectures delivered weekly, while the members were encouraged to make collections and take a general interest in scientific subjects. Last but not least, the spiritual wants of the boys were not neglected. There was the Christian union, comprising masters, boys, and old boys, with its daily prayer meeting, its scheme of daily bible-readings, and its monthly circular letter written by one of the members. I have known many instances where this organisation has been the means of leading thoughtless boys to a higher and nobler life. All these valuable agencies for elevating the school life may not be possible here; but some, at least, I hope to see gradually introduced. Some we have already. The school institutions already established are well supported, and there is no reason why others should not be equally successful, if judiciously introduced and carefully managed. To return to matters more purely scholastic, an examination was held in June to award three Wigram-Allen scholarships, each of the value of 16 guineas. The successful candidates were—1, Wolstenholme; 2, Sawkins; 3, Curlewis. These were subsequently constituted the sixth form, a dignity which I found in abeyance, but have revived, because I consider that these three boys are up to the standard of an ordinary sixth in an English grammar school. Both by ability and diligence they have fully merited the honourable appellation. Among our minor successes may be mentioned that A. Meares passed the law examination, and A. Perry, W. Shaw, and E. Weaver the Civil Service examination. An examination for the Schofield scholarship of £50 has just been concluded. The scheme of examination was very extensive, and the maximum of marks was 1400. The first three boys were—Wolstenholme, 1068; Curlewis, 875; Sawkins, 866. Wolstenholme will be recommended for election. In conclusion, on reviewing the past year, I see every reason for satisfaction in the general state of the school. We still maintain our numerical position, the number on the college books at the present time being about 265. The conduct and diligence of the boys as a whole has been thoroughly satisfactory.

The glee, "Hail, Smiling Morn," was sung by a chorus of the boys under the conductorship of Mr. Fisher, the singing master.

The prizes were then distributed by the Hon. W. Webb, in accordance with the following list:—VI. and V.: Recommended for Schofield scholarship, Wolstenholme; senior medal, —; Dux, Wolstenholme, *classics, Curlewis; English, Sawkins; *French, Curlewis; *mathematics, Sawkins; science, Sawkins. * Wolstenholme disqualified. IV2.: Dux, Walker; form, Muhs; Latin, Walker; English, Tweedie; French, Tweedie; history and geography, Tweedie; mathematics 1, Bryant; mathematics 2, Walker. II.: Dux, York; form, Vennard; latin 1, Litchfield; latin 2, Fidler; English, Kong Sing; French, Boyd; history and geography, Hunt; mathematics 1, J. Wesley; mathematics 2, Beaumont. V2.: Junior medal, Nott, Robson; Dux, Lawes; form, Vallack; classics 1, Curnow; classics 2, Lawes; English, Curnow; French, Wade; history and geography, Lindsay; mathematics 1, Palmer; mathematics 2, Tillot; science, Curnow; Latin composition, Curnow. III1.: Dux, Wolstenholme, A.; form, Vernon, A.; Latin 1, Curlewis, E. B.; Latin 2, Perry, M.; English, O'Neill; French, Wolstenholme; history and geography, Barling; mathematics 1, Beale; mathematics 2, Bennett; II: Dux, Jones; form, Fowler, J.; Latin 1, Morgan; Latin 2, Jones; English, Warren; history and geography, Morgan; arithmetic, Fowler, R. IV1.: Dux, Pratt; form, Miller, J.; classics, 1, Pratt; classics, 2, Serisier; English, Pratt; French, Pratt; history and geography, Pratt; mathematics, 1, Serisier; mathematics, 2, Gill. III2: Dux, Fawcett; form, Hicks; Latin, 1, Lance; Latin, 2, Fawcett; English, Fawcett; French, Lance; history and geography, Fawcett; mathematics, 1, Lance; mathematics, 2, Whittell. I2: Dux, James, A.; form, Whiddon; English, Smith, H.; history and geography, Woolrych; arithmetic, James, A.; writing, 1, Woolrych; writing, 2, M'Gregor. Drawing—Outline: T. Sands, J. Sands, Serisier, Nicholls, Tweedie. Mechanical: Fallick. Architectural: Hotson. Music: Tweedie, Fraser, Tillock, Miles, Curnow. Cadet prizes: Corporal A. E. Smith, 1st Rifles; Cadet Serisier, 2nd Rifles; best shot in Queen's Match, N. S. W. R. A., Q.M.-sergeant Sands; Corporal R. Wesley, best shot 1st Carbines; Corporal H. Wesley, highest score in Schools' Carbine Match; Cadet Wade, best shot in 2nd Carbines; Cadet Muhs, best shot in 3rd Carbines. Football—Honour caps: Fallick, Sands, Maitland, Serisier, Booth.

Mr. WEBB then gave an address, during which he pointed out the success that had been secured by the removal of the institution to the immediate neighbourhood of a larger population. The school had held its own against all the contrary influences of inducements held out in other directions. He went on to address the boys, urging them to give all their energy to play when in the playground, and to work when in the schoolroom, and especially impressing on them the duty of preserving honesty and goodness of character. He described the lives of several of his school-fellows in illustration of his remarks.

The Rev. Dr. KELYNACK proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman. Mr. FLETCHER seconded the motion, which was carried with acclamation, and three cheers by the boys. Mr. WEBB replied, and called for three cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher and Mr. Williams. The boys also cheered the dux of the school, Wolstenholme. Airs having been sung by the boys, the whole assemblage joined in the National Anthem, after which cheers were given for the Queen, and his Excellency and the Hon. Lady Carrington, and the company then separated.

NEW SOUTH WALES INSTITUTION for the DEAF and DUMB and the BLIND.

The annual examination of the pupils of the New South Wales Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind took place before a very large assemblage of ladies and gentlemen in the new hall of the institution yesterday afternoon. The gathering was presided over by Dr. A. Renwick, M.L.A., president of the institution, who was supported on the platform by Mr. Robert Hills and Mr. Ellis Robinson, honorary secretary. Amongst those present were Lady Hay and Mesdames Goodlet, Baillie, Phillips, F. R. Robinson, and Miss Mackie, members of the ladies' visiting committee; Dr. W. C. Wilkinson, M.L.A., Mr. F. Pepper, Mayor of Darlington; and Mr. J. R. Love.

The CHAIRMAN, in opening the proceedings, referred to the sad loss which they had sustained in consequence of the death of one of their vice-presidents—the Rev. James Milne, M.A., who, the speaker said, had been connected with the institution for something like 15 years. Dr. Renwick stated that the deceased gentleman had ever taken a most lively interest in all matters connected with or affecting the welfare of the deaf and dumb and the blind. While he had health and strength he was always willing to give advice and practical assistance to the board of directors. The speaker announced that the directors had forwarded a letter of condolence to the relatives of the deceased, and stated that he hoped those connected with the institution would keep in mind the great influence for good which the Rev. James Milne had always exerted amongst them. The health of the children he (the speaker) was glad to say had been remarkably good during the past year. The discipline was also good, and from an educational point of view the inmates had made considerable progress. He also stated that since the resignation of Dr. Warren the duties of hon. physician had been attended to by Dr. W. C. Wilkinson.

A chorus, "Larboard Watch," was then rendered by a number of blind pupils, who were ranged to the left of the chairman on the platform. The children were very becomingly attired, and on looking at the pleasing appearance of their features in seemed somewhat difficult to imagine that they were deprived of their sight. The little ones were under the charge of Miss Watt, musical teacher and instructor of the blind, and the effective manner in which they sang the chorus reflected great credit upon the lady under whose tuition they have made such good progress. A pianoforte solo, entitled "Talopia," was then given in excellent style. One of the boys next made his appearance and recited in a spirited manner the well-known lines entitled the "Battle of Hohenlinden." The recitation was followed by another pianoforte solo—"Soldiers' March and Chorus"—the spirited and lively music being rendered in a very commendable manner by the youthful instrumentalist. The first part of the programme—as far as the vocal and instrumental music was concerned—was concluded with a chorus entitled "Bonnie Dundee." The articulation class and junior pupils were then examined by Miss Kernohan (teacher of articulation on the "German" system). The pupils examined were mostly of tender age, and one of them, an intelligent girl, was stated to be a niece of Sir John Robertson's. The children, some of whom were both deaf and dumb, then pronounced a series of simple words, which could be distinctly heard and readily understood by some of the bystanders. The deaf mutes showed much intelligence, and answered the questions which were put to them by the principal (Mr. Watson) and the audience quite readily, by the aid of a piece of chalk and a blackboard. The blind pupils were then examined in English history, geography, grammar, and other subjects, and they answered the questions put to them intelligently and promptly. They then read selections in raised type, the system of being being respectively known by the names of Moon's, Lucas', and Braille's. The most popular of these is perhaps Moon's, which consists of arbitrary alphabetical signs, similar in formation to those of the Roman alphabet, of which, indeed they may be called modifications. The signs are easy to read, and are printed alternately from left to right and from right to left, so that the reader has no difficulty in following the lines. The system is used to a considerable extent in both England and Germany. Then there is Lucas' system, which is much more difficult than Moon's, being in fact a kind of shorthand. Next comes the Braile system, which represents the letters and figures by dots, and is the most complicated and difficult of all, but with this one compensatory advantage, which none of the others possesses, namely, that of enabling the blind to write. This is done by means of a slate fitted with an ingeniously-constructed slide, which enables the operator to make punctures on the paper. These punctured dots are the letters of the Braile system, and they can be readily deciphered by the trained fingers of the blind. The blind are sometimes taught all three of the systems named above, and the fact that there are so many different systems in vogue has added considerably to the difficulty of instructing the inmates of institutions for the blind. The examination of the pupils proved highly interesting to the audience, and it must have been very gratifying to the friends present to find that, although deprived of their sight, the children were enabled to read fluently in one or other of the systems enumerated above, and to converse in an intelligible and rational manner on topics of every-day conversation. The concluding vocal and instrumental numberson the programme were then rendered, after which the meeting was brought to a conclusion.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, GLEBE POINT.

The usual monthly meeting of the board of the Hospital for Sick Children was held on Monday afternoon, Mr. J. S. Mitchell (the president) being in the chair. There were also present Lady Martin, Mesdames Fairfax, Gilles, Garran, Mort, S. A. Stephen, Littlejohn, Stanger-Leathes, Wilkinson, Hunter-Baillie, Munce, Miss Mackay, and Messrs. S. A. Stephen and H. C. Kent. The house committee's report showed that during the past month there had been admitted 27, discharged 10, death 1, and that there were now 39 remaining in hospital. The expenses for the past month had been £175 3s. 1½d. Several gifts in kind were reported, among others being toys from a lady and her children, Christmas and New Year cards from two little boys, and a large parcel of children's books from a friend, per Messrs. Fuller and Co.; also, several gifts of flowers from suburban churches. It was decided that a date for the annual general meeting should be fixed at the next board meeting.

THE MAHWAH TREE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Dear Sir,—In your issue of November 30 you have a notice of this valuable tree; but on reference to Bernay's "Cultural Industries for Queensland" I find a very different account. The tree is there described as attaining a height of 40 to 60 feet, with a girth of 6 to 7 feet, and the available crop of flowers as 200 to 400 pounds. An analysis of the flowers, made in New York, gave 63·40 per cent. of sugar; but this result was probably obtained by operating on dried flowers. Whether 250 of such trees would grow on an acre is open to doubt; but assuming that they would, and that an average crop of 300 pounds of flowers, or 150 pounds of sugar, could be obtained, and the yield of sugar per acre would be about 17 tons—a good yield certainly, but far short of your correspondent's 100 to 120 tons. Perhaps some of your readers may be acquainted with the tree, and be able to say which estimate is correct. The mahwah is not only a sugar producer, but from the fruit oil is obtained, and from the flowers enormous quantities of spirit are distilled.

Tweed River, December 9. C. J. HILLS.

HOME AND TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

ANNUAL MEETING OF SUBSCRIBERS.

The third annual meeting of subscribers to the Sydney Home and Training School for Nurses for the Sick was held at the Home, in Phillip-street, yesterday morning. There was a large attendance of ladies, and the chair was taken by the Hon. Sir Alfred Stephen, G.C.M.G.

In opening the proceedings,

Sir ALFRED STEPHEN said that he was there with very great pleasure, not to attempt any lengthened address, but to congratulate the ladies—the founders and supporters of the institution—on the success, which amid many difficulties had attended their charitable efforts, to express his own deep sense of the value of such a society to the community, and to urge its claim, if only on the lowest ground, that of self-interest, to general support. Let any one reflect for a moment on the sad state of a family some member of which has been suddenly struck down by dangerous illness, and consider the necessity imposed on most probably the mother, or other of the gentler sex in the household—herself already, perhaps, overburthened with care and now superadded anxiety—yet to whom is entrusted the responsibility of a nursing, on the skilfulness quite as much as on the fidelity of which depends the patient's recovery. Well, this society—the Trained Nurses' Home—supplies the want. Here is the place where women of that valuable class might be found, who, themselves living under rule, of ascertained character and competent knowledge, were often of more importance beside the sick bed than the doctor. The subscriptions of the public went to support the establishment, and it was pleasant to find that it was not in debt. Yet, if its operations were to be extended, and especially among the sick poor—those who in times of illness, and especially when attacked by dangerous disease, suffer most from the want of due care—the funds must be yet enlarged. He (the speaker) was glad to see by the report that the committee were extending their benevolent efforts in that direction, and that nurses would, if possible, be set apart for the great duty of attending the poor, visiting from house to house, and carrying out the doctor's directions there. And let it be borne in mind that the rich—the well-to-do classes—were here indirectly, but in no small degree, interested with their less fortunate neighbours, since disease spreads, and might attack selfishness in a form more effectual than that of solicitation for a few pounds. The committee wanted an endowment fund, that they might have an unencumbered building of their own, without calls for house rent. He (Sir Alfred Stephen) commended the society and its important objects to the warm and liberal support of his fellow-citizens and colonists. He was sorry to find that he was as yet not on the list of subscribers; but he would

ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL AT ALBANY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

ALBANY, WEDNESDAY.

The P. and O. Company's R.M.S. Massilia, Captain Holland, arrived here, from Colombo, at 9.30 last night. The following is a list of her passengers :—

For ALBANY: Mr. and Mrs. Mood and child.

For GLENELG: Mr. and Mrs. Spicer and child, Mr. and Mrs. Cansell and 2 daughters, Mesdames Mattock, Johnston, and child.

For MELBOURNE: Mr. and Mrs. Jennison, Mr. and Mrs. Wintercook, Mr. and Mrs. Shane and family, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Ley, Mrs. and Miss Welchman, Captain and Mrs. Bridges 3 children and servant, Hon. F. and Mrs. Ormond, 2 daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Miss Omerod, Messrs. Webster, Hodges, Sutcliffe, Lissage, Gregory, Still, Ellis, De Courcy, Howitt, Burns (2), Macmold, Markwould, Hasselman, Finley, Khaler, Maghlast, Fairhurst, Newham, Clendinen, Beaney, Rev. Robinson, Sir George Beaumont, Misses Dodd, Mitten, Barton, Berry, Mrs. Grant and 2 children, Dr. Hearn.

For SYDNEY: Mr. and Mrs. Fleming and child, Mr. and Mrs. Howartson, Mr. and Mrs. Hurst, Mrs. Marks 3 children, and maid, Mr. and Mrs. Wiseman and 4 children, Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins, Messrs. Church, Benson, Odling, Lloyd, Alcock, Dixon, Clarke, Tooberts, Henly, Arthur, Mesdames Jekyl and child and nurse, Dees, Misses Benson (2), Wallmisley, Parnell.

For NEW ZEALAND: Messrs. Martin, Symons (2), Davis, Clark, Donner, Miss Symons, Captain Fox.

For BRISBANE: Mr. Gore.

For HOBART: Mr. and Mrs. Lerdor.

And 55 for all ports in other classes.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 13.

Mr. Gladstone delivered, on the 9th instant, his first speech at Edinburgh, where he was received with great enthusiasm. In his speech he dwelt particularly upon the necessity of unity among the Liberal party, which was, he said, the great doctrine he had come to preach. He also devoted much attention to the Irish question, and the danger to the Empire from a possible combination of the Parnellites with the minority of either party in Parliament. In his speech at Edinburgh on the 11th instant Mr. Gladstone renewed the accusation that the Tories were the first to raise the question of Disestablishment, and make a test question of it. He said it would be outrageous folly for the Liberals to allow themselves to be drawn by this matter from solid issues before them, and it results from the ex-Premier's declaration that he will be no party to any attack on the English or Scottish Church during the next Parliament. He emphasised this by ridiculing the particular scheme of Disestablishment in the Radical programme organised by Mr. Chamberlain. The ex-Premier proved he had lost none of the old power of speaking to a multitude and compelling attention to his utterances. His speech, however, is by no means unusually remarkable as satisfactory by the Liberal Press, London or provincial. The most general impression is that the speech will satisfy neither dissenters nor the Church party, either in England or Scotland. The deliberations in the Conference continue, the final issue remaining as much shrouded in uncertainty as ever. The first two sittings had no result, but on the 9th the Ambassadors provisionally agreed that Prince Alexander should be requested as a first step to withdraw to Sofia. On the 11th it was agreed that the restoration of the *status quo ante* as the basis of a new settlement should be defined as the aim of the Conference, though no formal resolution has been adopted, and certain reserves by the British and French representatives. But if Prince Alexander, as is probable, refuses to retire, or the claim for a restoration of the *status quo* be ignored by the people of Bulgaria and Roumelia, a most critical question will arise concerning the means whereby a decision now shall be enforced, and on what conditions. Sir William White's firm attitude at the Conference has produced a great impression—so much so, in fact, that the final result is regarded as dependent on the action of the British representative. He has demanded that the consent of England be sought for and obtained before the Turkish Government can receive a mandate from the Powers to re-establish the *status quo* if necessary by force of arms.

King Thebaw's reply to the British ultimatum is altogether unsatisfactory. Concerning the royal decree against the Bombay and Burmah Trading Company, the King says that if the Corporation will present a humble petition he will consider the case, as he wishes to encourage foreign traders. That being so, there is no need for further discussion or negotiations respecting their demands. To the demands that a Resident shall be placed at Mandalay with a guard, and having access to the King without humiliating ceremonies, the answer is that the last Resident went away of his own account some years ago, and there has been none at Mandalay since. The British are welcome to put a Resident at Mandalay again, under the same conditions as formerly. This avoids or tacitly refuses the stipulation for an armed guard for the Resident, for the Resident's honourable reception and for his access to the King. It further states that Upper Burmah as an independent State must settle its external affairs, and cannot agree to commit any control of such affairs to the Viceroy of India without previous reference to other friendly countries, such as France, Italy, and Germany. To the fifth demand, that trade to Upper Burmah and China should be protected, the Burmese Government replies that it has always been favourable to such trade, and traders have only to apply to it to obtain protection and assistance as heretofore. [This unsatisfactory reply to the British ultimatum was followed by war, which resulted in the surrender of Mandalay, and the removal of King Thebaw to India as a State prisoner.—ED. *H.*]

INTERCOLONIAL ITEMS.

The recent hot weather has entailed a severe strain upon the resources of the Melbourne water supply department (says the *Argus*), but so far as the engineer of water supply has been able to ascertain, the supply has not absolutely failed in any part of the city or suburbs owing to a want of sufficient pressure. The main which was laid some time ago for conveying a supply to Punt-hill burst on Monday, and the water had to be shut off for a considerable time to allow of the necessary repairs being effected. The lowest pressure at the tank on the Eastern hill was 14lb., this being sufficient to ensure a fair head of water in the city mains. The depth of water at present in the Yan Yean reservoir is 19 feet 8 inches, or 4 inches less than was registered after the heavy rains about a fortnight ago.

Mr. George Coppin, M.L.A., of Victoria, entertained, on Saturday afternoon, about 350 of the children of the Model State School, Spring-street, who had remained after school hours during the year for religious instruction. There had been 65 class meetings during the year. 100 prizes were presented by Miss Georgina Coppin upon the following scale:—Children attending half the meeting received a third prize; two-thirds, a second prize; and three-fourths, a first prize.

According to a telegram from the Kilmore correspondent of the Melbourne *Age*, Cr. Hunt, of the local municipality, appears bent upon making renewed efforts to distinguish himself as an Irish patriot. Cr. Hunt, who is a brother of Mr. Hunt, the member for the district, is presumably the gentleman whose zeal in collecting subscriptions for the Land League a little time back brought him into a position of some prominence. At the meeting of the Kilmore council he gravely proposed that he council should send a congratulatory message to Mr. Parnell on the result of the English general elections, and declaring the opinion that home rule should be granted to Ireland. The president showed his good sense by declining to receive the resolution, but as Mr. Hunt insisted upon its being put the meeting terminated in disorder.

The *Kölnische Zeitung* says :—"The 18th of October is a fatal day for France. On October 18, 1685, Louis XIV. signed the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes; on the same date, in 1813, Napoleon's rule came to an end, and the French nation was driven back to its own frontiers; in 1873, the 'horse cures' began among all the parties of the 'great nation,' and on October 18, 1885—that is to say, 15 years and a fortnight after the beginning of the Third Republic, this same republic is so unstable that it had to be decided in a general election whether France should be a monarchy or a republic. . . . It might well be said that the republic is the Nessus's shirt in which the Hercules of the French nation is burning alive, and it shows indeed Herculean strength if a nation submits to these burnings for several times, as it has done during the last 15 years, especially if, besides, it has to encounter such adventures as those reported from Annam."

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THE CONDITION OF THE PASTORAL COUNTRY.

VI.—TANK-SINKING AT A STANDSTILL—THE IMPROVEMENT CLAUSE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL COMMISSIONER.)

NARRAN LAKE, DEC. 3.

Fifteen years ago cattle were kept on most of these runs. Such sheep stock as were in the district were shepherded on the frontages. A few dams were made in the creeks, but tanks were almost unknown. The modern sheep station tank is a carefully designed and constructed reservoir. The object in view is to store just enough water to make the most of the adjoining grass. To make a huge excavation of, say, 40,000 cubic yards in a large paddock containing 20,000 sheep, would be waste all round. Most of the sheep would spend their whole time in travelling from the grass to the water, and the ground would soon be trampled bare. Thus the water would be useless if the grass was destroyed. Experience shows that in country like this, carrying one year with another a sheep to three acres, a tank of 10,000 cubic yards will keep 4000 sheep well. This excavation is about 70 yards by 50, and 15 to 16 feet deep. The sides are cut with a long slope so as to allow the sheep to reach the water easily, and also with the view of preserving the earthwork. When the water sinks, as it does in the dry seasons, the stock can reach it just as easily as when brimful. Leading to the tank there are shallow races cut following the fall of the ground, and the water flows first into a small tank or silt-pit outside the embankment. The object of this silt-pit is to arrest the mud and debris, and a shoot made of wood and iron leads through the earthwork and pours a stream into the main reservoir. Fine sheets of water are often seen in these tanks, and if they were planted with trees, binding grasses, and water plants, I believe the embankment would be strengthened, the evaporation of the water would be checked, and a little freshness and rural beauty would be infused into the brick-yard dreariness of the inland pastures.

The construction of these tanks began, and kept pace, with the adoption of wire-fenced paddocks. Formerly the grass on the back blocks could be used only in wet seasons; but with fences and tanks every inch of country can be turned to account, and, indeed, if our law encouraged such works, there is little doubt that the distribution of water and the subdivision of paddocks might be carried much further with general advantage. But here comes in the pinch. The elimination of the improvement clause from the Act of 1884 has tied the hands of run-owners. If their dams, tanks, and fences become the property of the State at the end of the current lease, then the security which would justify and guarantee the necessary expenditure is vitiated; and the interest of the lessee will consist in getting as much out of his run as he can, and in leaving as little on the ground as possible. This feature in the Act has told already. No more tank-sinking going on. Every thirty miles or so there is the camp of a tank-sinking contractor with some dozen or twenty men idle, kept together on the chance of a job turning up. The contractors are hardy intelligent men, and the hands they employ are of the best class of the bush population, generally of a much superior stamp to the "rabbiters" who swarm over the southern part of the Western division. The contractor usually excavates a tank, completing all the needful trenches and other details, at the rate of 1s. per cubic yard. He pays his men about 8s. per day, they finding themselves; or 30s. per week, finding them in rations and a cook. The equipment is expensive, consisting of ploughs, scoops, five or six teams of bullocks, and a few horses. A week's work with one plough and four scoops will excavate 1200 cubic yards, employing about 14 men and five teams of bullocks. A 10,000-yard tank will at this rate require eight or nine weeks, or in wages alone about £320. When delays from want of water and grass, wear and tear of plant, horse-feed, and other small items, are added, the contractor's disbursement will probably amount to £400; and the contract price at 1s. per cubic yard will be £500. This business of watering dry country absorbed the energy and intelligence of the community to an extent which the residents in the well-watered parts of the colony cannot appreciate. To the contractors and the working men their avocation stood in the place of a steadily-paying and inexhaustible goldfield. To the trading community it meant the extra production of forty or fifty bales more of wool for every tank sunk, with a corresponding additional expenditure in stores and wages; while to the squatter each new watering-place on his run added materially to his power of resisting the constant enemy, drought.

All this energy and expenditure is now deadlocked, and it will remain so until Parliament in its wisdom thinks fit to give the Crown tenants some such interest in their betterments as that provided by the Ulster Tenant Right. The embryo homestead lessees are precisely in the same position. At the end of their fifteen years all they put on the ground, whether water or fencing, becomes State property; consequently the probability of a homestead man going in for the thorough improvement of his leasehold is very slight. In reality, the law warns him against any such effort.

It is impossible to judge yet what the action of the average homestead lessee will be, but this feature of the law will be very apt to shunt him in a wrong direction. Instead of going heartily to work with all the power of his brain and muscles to save water and erect fences, he will be very apt to drop into a state of Micawberism, to trust to good seasons coming, and to look forward to selling out. The fate of such a homestead it is easy to predict.

I am certain, from what I see daily, that to place the pastoral lessee, the homestead lessee, and the conditional lessee in a position which will encourage him to make the most of his holding is of far more importance to the whole community than the institution of schemes of river-looking, irrigation, or water conservation by the Government. Against the latter course grave objections may be cited, even assuming that the knowledge that we possess is sufficient to justify these operations. Such action by Government will necessarily have the effect of neutralising the spirit of self-help, the want of which in our community is daily becoming more apparent. If we have a huge Government Water Department in addition to a Government Lands Department and a Government Railway Department, it will be almost hopeless to try to free the country from the incubus of an unwholesome centralisation. This, the Parliamentary kites and crows, who make their living by haunting our public departments, understand well.

On the other hand, if we give to our tenants of Crown lands, of every grade, free lands and reasonable security in their work, we bring the potent elements of self-help and masculine enterprise to aid in the solution of a great problem. Acting in concert with the self-governing institutions which we hope soon to possess, this spirit will prompt the many-headed and many-handed settlers of the interior to such efforts, as will to a certainty hit upon a way, if the way is to be found, to do all we aim at—to save the flood waters and use them so that the country may perhaps, some day, become practically drought-proof.

PASTORAL INTELLIGENCE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

COONAMBLE, WEDNESDAY.

The local stock movements are as under:—2000 ewes from Nebea station to Narraway station, Mr. Thomas Fagan, owner, passed on Saturday; 4000 mixed sheep are leaving Merri Merri, Mr. A. B. Lomax owner, going to Mungindi; 4000 ewes, from Pier Pier station to Mara Creek, Mr. John A. Ibbott, owner; 9000 weaners are about leaving Nebea station for New England; 600 ewes passed here on Saturday, going to Miss Glover's selection, near Coonamble; 6000 mixed sheep left Narraway station for Orange, via Dubbo, Mr. Thomas Fagan, owner; 6000 ewes left Warrana station for Buddiewere station, executors of Mr. D. P. Keogh, owner.

Partial rain has fallen in this district, but not sufficient to do any lasting good.

PARKES, WEDNESDAY.

The following are the local stock passings:—12,000 sheep, Mr. F. H. Wolsley owner, from Walgett to Forbes; 1020 store bullocks, Mr. F. Rogers owner, from Bourke to Albury.

WAGGA WAGGA, WEDNESDAY.

The local stock movements are as under:—4657 mixed sheep, Mr. B. Lynes, from Dubbo to Albury.

CARCOAR, WEDNESDAY.

The following are the local stock movements:—5000 mixed weaners, from Widgie run, Uzana, to Brownsbang, Mr. H. S. Lomad, owner.

REVIEW.

The Quiver: An Illustrated Magazine for Sunday and General Reading. Cassell and Co., Limited: London, 1885.

This publication has now been in existence for a period of 20 years, and, apparently, it has not yet reached the zenith of its influence and popularity. It is one of the best of English serial publications. Amongst the contributors are a number of the most distinguished men in the principal sections of the Christian Church. The present volume contains a variety of bright and entertaining matter. The tales and stories are, of course, the chief feature, and the majority of these are sensible and well written. Composed in the interests of religion, they are free from the sentimentalism which is associated in the minds of most people with religious literature of this class. In no instance do they exalt dogma, but in almost every paragraph they exalt character. The subjects of the general articles have been admirably chosen. "Reserve Force in Character," "Temper, Good and Bad," "The Anatomy of Self-conceit," may be quoted as examples. People who are interested in the great preachers of the day, will find in the book a series of articles (with illustrations) on the prominent pulpit orators of the United States. Naturally, the volume contains a review of the revised version of the Old Testament, which has been published during the year. The review is from the pen of the Dean of Canterbury, who was one of the Company of Revisers, and it is hardly necessary to say that it is both interesting and instructive. There are sermons in the volume, but different sermons from some that are printed in religious magazines. Sunday-school teachers have been considered by the publishers, and they will appreciate the Scripture lessons, the papers on Bible lands, and the short essays on moral subjects which abound in the volume. The illustrations deserve some words of praise; all are admirable, whilst not a few are works of art. *The Quiver* is a publication for the family, and it may be put into the hands of girls and boys with the certainty that it cannot possibly produce in the slightest degree any effect that is the opposite of wholesome and purifying.

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

CAMPERDOWN.

The Borough Council of Camperdown met at the usual fortnightly meeting (the previous one had lapsed through absence of sufficient aldermen) on Tuesday evening, there being present the Mayor (Alderman M'Grath, presiding), Aldermen Larkin, Jeutsch, Burcher, Sparkes, Morgan, Thomson, and Cahill. Accounts were submitted and passed for payment amounting to £83, and the overdraft at the bank was reported to be £221 6s. An intimation was received from the manager of the bank of New South Wales, informing the council that it was overdrawn. The Mayor said he would not sign any further cheques for payments unless authorised by a special resolution of the council, a proceeding Alderman Thomson characterised as discreditable. A resolution was carried, on the motion of Alderman Burcher, that the Mayor be empowered to sign cheques. Alderman Sparks asked the Mayor, in accordance with notice given :—"Is it a fact that certain promises or overtures of improvement, such as purchasing of land, &c., from certain ratepayers of Belmore Ward, has been made by the Mayor and Alderman Larkin, so as to seduce the votes of those ratepayers in favour of the Mayor, who is a candidate for Belmore Ward?" The Mayor replied, that he declined to answer the question, on the ground that it was impertinent. Alderman Sparkes then asked,—"What section or portion of the Municipalities Act of 1867 gives the council power to appoint trustees from the corporate body of this municipality?" The Mayor answered that he would search and give an answer at the next meeting. Alderman Morgan asked,—"Did not the Mayor, in answer to a question submitted by Alderman Sparkes recently, state that the first debenture of £500 would become due on the first day of October, 1886?" The Mayor said: "Yes; I obtained my information from the records of the council." Alderman Morgan then asked,—"Is it a fact that the bank has since notified the Mayor that the said sum became due on the 1st October last? If so, will the Mayor explain how the mistake occurred in supplying the information?" The Mayor replied that he had not received such an intimation as that spoken of. In response to a further question from Alderman Morgan as to whether the amount had been paid, and if so, from which fund, and on whose authority, the Mayor said it had been partly paid from the general fund, and partly by an overdraft paid by the bank on the manager's account. The bank considered their credit sufficiently good to pay the debentures. The clerk explained that there had been a misapprehension as to when the debentures were due. Mr. John Davison wrote asking if it was the council's intention to open Denison-street, adjoining Fowler's, soon, as he intended to build, and carriers and others had no way of getting out except through his land. He did not wish to incur reulence any one by stopping the thoroughfare. The letter was received. The Secretary of the General Post Office wrote with reference to tracings left by the clerk showing proposed post-office accommodation in the new Town Hall, Camperdown, stating that it would be obvious that there should be a plain understanding regarding the rent to be paid, and until a definite reply on this point came to hand the question of whether the department agreed to lease the office or not could not be entertained. The clerk was authorised to reply that in a few days tenders would be opened, after which a definite reply would be sent. Mr. J. W. C. Hattan wrote, stating that at the time the council effected kerbing of Brown-street, in front of his houses, the footpath was cut down so as to render it difficult to get into the houses, in consequence of which he had lost tenants, and he asked to be allowed permission to erect a step in front of each of his houses. The matter was referred to the Improvement Committee. Mr. L. C. R. Jones, solicitor, wrote stating that he had been instructed by Mrs. Cooper to inform them that he would hold the council liable for all damages sustained by her in and about the sale of her property in Camperdown, through the action of several members of the council in endeavouring to deteriorate the value of the land and the success of the sale about to be held, and gave warning that should it come to her knowledge that any further remarks were made with a view to prejudicing the sale, a writ would be issued without further notice. The council had raised an objection to a lane (since certified to as a right-of-way) on account of its not being the requisite width, and creating an ill-accumulation of drainage. The letter was received. A communication from the council's solicitor (Mr. G. F. R. Burcher) was also received on the subject. Mr. T. H. Beale, Regent-street, Kingston Ward, wrote complaining of an open sewer fronting his property, which was injurious to the health of his family, and deteriorated the value of his property. Several aldermen referred to the drain as being it was a nuisance, and on the motion of Alderman Sparkes communication was read to the work required at once. A Company offering tar-ashes for the Australian Gaslight letter from the agent of Messrs. Calianach and Co., &c. A proposals for the disposition of nightsoil, was on the motion of Alderman Morgan, seconded by Alderman Jentsch, referred to a special meeting for consideration, the firm concerned, or a representative, to be invited to attend. Mr. Enoch Whatmough, College-street, again wrote complaining of the inconvenience he was subjected to through the boarding in of an overhanging balcony, erected by his neighbour, Mr. Avery. He stated that it not only obstructed his view, but was an eyesore to the locality. It was resolved, on the motion of Alderman Morgan, seconded by Alderman Burcher,—"That Mr. Avery be written to, requesting him to cause the boarding of the balcony to be removed." Mr. Samuel King repeated his application for kerbing, guttering, and asphalting in front of his property in Parkes-street, which the council had promised should be carried out, and it was decided to carry out the work as soon as possible. Mr. H. Binnell wrote, stating that he had obtained the consent of various owners of land fronting Pidcock and George streets, each of whom agreed to give ten feet of land at the rear of their respective allotments for a lane, but there was one objector, and he asked if the council would accept the dedication with that exception. It was determined, on the motion of Alderman Larkin, seconded by Alderman Burcher, that a reply be sent stating the council would give its portion of the land and take over the proposed lane. The town clerk of the Glebe intimated that the culvert over the Orphan School Creek, at the junction of the Glebe and Camperdown, had been completed, at a cost of £143 10s., and remitted account to the council for half cost. The matter was referred to the works committee for report. Mr. W. F. Caunt, chemist, in George-street, submitted sample bottle of ozone prepared by him for disinfecting purposes, which was referred to the Inspector for test and report. Owing to the late hour of the evening, motions on the business paper were left over until next meeting.

PARRAMATTA.

The ordinary fortnightly meeting of the Parramatta Borough Council was held yesterday afternoon. Present: The Mayor (Alderman Smith), and Aldermen Ashley, Joseph Booth, John Booth, Byrnes, Cox, Ferris, Granger, Saunders, and Taylor. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The treasurer's statement of accounts, from the 4th August, 1885, to 2nd September, 1885, was laid on the table. The Mayor reported the resignation of Mr. F. Beames, auditor. His Worship called attention to certain reflections on his conduct in a letter to a local paper by a late member of the council, who had forfeited his seat, and showed that he was not aware that the alderman's seat was vacant until his attention was called to the fact by the council clerk. He also read a comment in an evening contemporary with respect to the same matter. The finance committee's quarterly report gave the following particulars of expenditure:—General account, £1905 11s. 8d.; water account, £482 17s. 4d.; nuisances prevention account, £111 1s. 3d.; lighting account, £213 12s. 8d.; Town Hall account, £11 1s. 9d.; special lighting account, £54 7s. 10d.; total, £2778 12s. 3d. The report was received. The finance and improvement committees' reports, read and received at the previous meeting, were adopted. Correspondence was read from several metropolitan firms and agents, bringing their respective lines of business under notice; and also a letter from the secretary of the No. 2 Fire Brigade, Parramatta, protesting against the proposed division of the town by the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board. The latter communication gave rise to considerable discussion, but eventually it and the other correspondence were received. A petition from certain residents of Parramatta North asking for the extension of water mains was received and referred to the water committee. Alderman Farries moved, —"That the hours of work per day for the quarryman, stonecutters, and labourers employed by this council shall hereafter be reduced from nine hours per day to eight hours, excepting Saturdays, which shall continue at the rate of six hours as heretofore. This resolution to take effect from the first day of the municipal year 1886-7." Alderman Taylor seconded the resolution *pro forma*, but moved as an amendment that the matter be postponed until the improvement committee for 1886-7 is appointed. Another amendment to increase the wages of the men 6d. per day for the same number of hours as at present lapsed for the want of a seconder. The amendment was negatived by 8 votes to 2, and the original resolution was then carried. This concluded the business, and the council rose.

The council clerk of Ryde requests us to state that no application has been made to Government on account of Ryde reserve, and that no promise of £1000 has been made.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of members of the Agricultural Society of New South Wales was held at Tattersall's-buildings, Hunter-street, yesterday afternoon. Mr. W. W. Richardson, the Chairman of the Association, presided, and there were about 70 or 80 members present.

The SECRETARY (Mr. F. Webster) read the minutes of several previous meetings, and they were confirmed. The annual report and the balance-sheet were then presented. The report was brief, and to the following effect:—The annual exhibition was held in September last. The number of exhibits amounted to 2128, and the gate takings to £1253. A pony shed, containing 50 stalls, 110 horse and cattle stalls, also fat stock yards, had been erected. A trotting track was formed prior to the last show at a cost of nearly £1200. Mr. Walter Lamb, an active member of the council, had been compelled to resign, and Mr. G. N. Griffiths had been appointed to fill the vacancy. At the recent Eight Hours Demonstration over 80,000 persons were accommodated. Turfing and levelling was at present going on, and estimates had been called for a supply of water to the ground.

The balance-sheet showed a credit, up to October 31st, of £31 18s. 10d.

The CHAIRMAN having moved the adoption of the foregoing,

Mr. G. N. GRIFFITHS seconded the proposition. He had made an investigation into the society's affairs, and he thought that the figures which he had elucidated from the books should be placed before the public so as to show what had been done, and what was intended to be done to make the society as useful as it should be. They might be considered a continuation of the old society started in 1881, with a debit balance of £998 1s. 9d. Five gentlemen—Messrs. Bradley, Newton, Richardson, G. F. Want, and G. F. Cox—were appointed to reorganise the state of things. They began by obtaining an overdraft, on their own personal security, from the bank, and then obtained a lease of 40 acres of land at Moore, Park and put it into a condition to form the present ground. Starting with a little Government assistance, and putting their own hand in their pockets, since 1881 they had expended the following sums:—1881-3, sheep and poultry, £336 16s. 10d; sheds, £1693 7s. 11d; plants, £2342 14s. 8d.; 1883-4, £1027 13s. 6d.; 1884-5, £1419 3s. 2d.; clearing ground and track, £1375 0s. 4d.; wages, salaries, &c., £7509 18s.; prizes, £3090 3s. 3d.; advertising, printing, &c., £2192 12s. 9d.; or a total of £22,005 12s. 2d. Added to this amount had been paid £2807 13s. 6d. for sundries, and a grand total of £24,813 5s. 6d. had been paid away between 1881 and 1885, and now they had a credit balance of £31 18s. 10d. (Hear, hear.) He alluded to the great want of a public grand stand, for a supply of water, and to other matters, and he strongly urged upon members to do their utmost to induce the public to become members and to assist in the work. It was proposed to erect a grand stand near the site of the present secretary's offices and sheds.

Mr. A. J. ROYAL did not think that there was any reason to be particularly satisfied with the condition of affairs. In particular, the smallness of the list of subscribers was a thorough and complete disgrace to a country like New South Wales. He complained that no sufficient effort had been made at canvassing, and he deprecated dependancy upon the Government for support. The society was a national thing, and at the same time it should be supported by the public, and not by the Government.

Mr. GRIFFITHS said that a circular had been sent to every subscriber asking for subscriptions.

The CHAIRMAN considered that at any time they would be justified and successful in asking for a governmental *pro rata* subscription. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. WALTER BRADLEY spoke at considerable length and in strong terms upon what he considered to be the niggardliness of many persons. He had been for some 28 years connected with the society. It was all very fine to talk about completing a pavilion, but where were they to get the money? He had known of a collector going out for three days and returning without having got one copper. The fact was that the people did not like parting. Complaints had been made that good judges could only be got from neighbouring colonies, but these had proved the greatest frauds, so far as knowledge of their duties was concerned, that could be. He had known them mean enough to debit the society with 1s. for their cab fares from the Melbourne railway station. He complained of the meanness of a number of bicyclists who had led the committee by promises to form a track, and yet never subscribed a farthing, and he also alluded to certain persons who had guaranteed £50 each towards forming a trotting track, and then neglected to pay up. Nearly every member of the late committee had personally "shelled-out" to get them out of debt. Certain people had found fault in connection with the wine-tasting. One of the last judges declared that he would never act as taster for their colonial wines again—not even for £100—as the last time he did so he was nearly sick unto death afterwards. It was a disgrace to the community that they did not have at the least 3000 subscribers, and he would be happy to do his utmost. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. J. M'LAUGHLIN defended the gentlemen who had been alluded to in connection with the trotting-track, and he spoke in favour of increased efforts in connection with canvassing.

Mr. BROWN suggested that the shows be held somewhat earlier than heretofore—say in August, instead of in September.

Mr. WILSON agreed that September was too late. He advocated the holding together of a horse and sheep show, some time during the week following the annual sheep sales.

A speaker mentioned that it was intended to hold these sales some time during July next year.

Several speakers opposed the suggestion.

The CHAIRMAN said that there was much difficulty in fixing a suitable time, which would not clash with other shows, either in this colony or elsewhere. Until the quarantine regulations were removed he questioned whether they

Other matters of decent sheep show on their ground.

lasted for two hours, were discussed, a ballot, which officers for the ensuing year, and also the appointment of of the following gentlemen:—Patron: Lord in the selection Carrington. President: Sir John Robertson, Vice-Presidents: Sir Patrick Jennings, K.C.M.G., the Hon. John Lackey. Council: W. Bradley, 125; J. De V. Lamb, 121; W. W. Richardson, 119; Hon. G. H. Cox, 115; A. Towns, 114; Geo. S. Yeo, 102; A. A. Dangar, 97; G. N. Griffiths, 96; A. H. Prince, 87; J. R. Hill, 86.

A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the proceedings.

THE BEER DUTIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Under the signature "Brewer," a correspondent writes you on the subject of my article on the beer duties. Like Mr. Kyngdon, he ignores the point from which I argued, viz., the duty on hops and on imported beer. The conclusion to which I arrived was that, at present, we were probably losing at the rate of £200,000 a year, supposing it had been the intention of the Legislature to obtain from colonial beer a revenue equal to that indicated by the hop duty.

"Brewer" drags into the discussion several matters that have nothing to do with it, for instance, the cost of materials and labour in England and here; but I may point out that he is quite at sea in his figures. Thus: Hops, in England worth 10d. per lb., sell here at 1s. 7d. (without reckoning duty). This is 6d. per lb. advance, or £56 per ton. Who will believe that any such sum is required to pay freight and profit? The colonial brewer pays 20c per cent. more wages! that is, where the English brewer pays £2 10s. a week, the colonial pays £7 10s. Does anyone believe this? "Brewer" also refers to railway carriage, and asks what I think of beer having to pay a much greater rate of carriage than colonial wine? I say at once that if the rates are so arranged, it is unjustifiable, and that wine being the more valuable article should pay the higher duty; Mr. "Brewer" should agitate for justice in this matter, and not mix it up with the question of duty to which it does not belong.

I conclude by pointing out that Mr. Kyngdon said 25lb. of sugar was equal to a bushel of malt, and that by "long experience" the brewers had arrived at the exact quantities of the articles they needed. Your later correspondent says "any practical brewer will tell you that 28lb. of sugar is equal to one bushel of malt in extract."

The difference between 25lb. and 28lb. is not very great, but it confirms what I said about the variation in the systems of various brewers.

Your correspondent, "Mr. Robert Phillip," asks if London brewers are allowed to use sugar. I reply, most certainly they are, and this fact can easily be ascertained from the *Brewers' Journal*, in which brewers' sugars are repeatedly referred to. The excise laws relating to breweries are very strict, and probably the fine spoken of by your correspondent may have been inflicted through some failure to observe these laws. I am, &c.,

December 16. E. P.

THE NEW SOUTH WALES CONTINGENT.

In a supplement to the *Government Gazette* published yesterday the following notices appear:—

"Colonial Secretary's Office,

"Sydney, 16th December, 1885.

"His Excellency the Governor directs the publication for general information of the following copy of a despatch from the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, intimating that the Queen has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Colonel Richardson, lately commanding the New South Wales Contingent of the Egyptian Expedition, to be a Companion of the Military Division of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

"The Secretary of State also draws attention to the fact that the names of Colonel Richardson and Lieutenant-Colonel Spalding appear in the supplement to the London *Gazette* of the 25th August, with the names of other officers recommended to the Queen for honorary distinction, in recognition of services rendered in the Soudan Expedition.

P. A. JENNINGS.

"'Downing-street, 25th August, 1885.

"'My Lord,—I have the honour to inform your Lordship that the Queen has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Colonel Richardson, lately commanding the New South Wales Contingent of the Egyptian Expedition, to be a Companion of the Military Division of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

"'You will perceive that Colonel Richardson's name as well as that of Lieutenant-Colonel Spalding appear in the Supplement to the London *Gazette* of 25th August, with the names of other officers recommended to the Queen for honorary distinction in recognition of services rendered in the recent Soudan Expedition, which is especially gratifying, as being the first campaign in which her Majesty's Colonial Forces have taken a part with British and Indian troops. I have, &c., FRED. STANLEY.

"'Governor, the Right Honorable Lord Augustus W. F. S. Loftus, G.C.B., &c., &c.'

"Extract—General Lord Wolseley, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., to the Secretary of State for War:—

"'Cairo, 15th June, 1885.

"'This is the first time that colonial troops have been employed outside the colonies in any of our wars. The result has been so satisfactory that I earnestly trust the noble and patriotic example set by New South Wales may, should occasion arise, be followed by other colonies. The officers and men of the New South Wales Contingent, under Colonel Richardson, were a credit to their colony, and to the parent race from which they sprang.'

"Extract of list of officers, &c., whose services are deserving of special mention:—'Australian Contingent: Colonel J. S. Richardson, Lieutenant-Colonel W. W. Spalding, Major Mackenzie, Major Norris.'

"Extracts—Lieutenant-General Sir G. Graham to General Lord Wolseley.

"'Alexandria, May 30, 1885.

"'The Camel Corps was most successful, but owing to the lateness of the arrival of the camels, its organisation could not be commenced before the 18th April. 500 riding camels had been asked for by me before leaving England, and that number was ordered from India; out of these only about 300 were used for service with the Camel Corps, as no more men could be spared from the infantry. These riding camels were very fine animals, and were equipped with saddles for two men each, so that 300 camels could carry about 500 fighting men, besides one native to every third camel. The remaining camels were employed to carry infantry on the "ride and tie" system. The New South Wales Battalion and the 3rd Battalion Grenadier Guards were specially trained in this mode of camel riding, and as the Camel Corps could also apply the "ride and tie" system to any untrained infantry, I had the means of moving for an emergency about 1800 infantry, one half being always mounted.

"'The New South Wales Contingent took its share in all hardships and dangers. The New South Wales Infantry had three men wounded at Tamai, and during subsequent operations they were always in the front. Had the contemplated advance on Sinkat and Tamanieb taken place, they would have formed a portion of the troops engaged. The officers and men were, as I have stated previously, trained to camel-riding, in which they soon acquired sufficient proficiency.

"'The New South Wales Battery moved to Handoub, and by constant drilling became fairly efficient, considering the many difficulties they had to contend with. The spirit of good-fellowship between the men of the Australian Contingent and the British troops was very noticeable. The highest credit is due to Colonel Richardson and to the officers under him for the excellent discipline and cheery readiness shown on all occasions.

"'The Camel Corps was formed under novel conditions, and the success attained was in great measure due to the energy and ability displayed by the commandant, Major W. C. James, of the Scots Greys, well assisted by the other officers of the corps, among whom I would notice Lieutenant Watson, Central Indian Horse; and Lieutenant Sparrow, New South Wales Infantry; also the following non-commissioned officers:—Sergeant Wilmot, Indian Transport Corps; Sergeant Redstone, Berkshire Regiment; and Corporal Roddie, New South Wales Infantry.

"'The battalion of New South Wales Infantry was attached to the Brigade of Guards, and is highly praised by Major-General Lyon Fremantle for its good discipline. It was commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Wells; and I would also mention the following officers, non-commissioned officers, and men of this fine battalion; Majors Mackenzie and Norris, Lieutenant-Colonel Paul, Captain and Adjutant Bartlett, Lieutenant Burnside, Sergeant-major Tuite, Colour-sergeants Liggins, Shipway, and J. Burns. I have, ventured to submit so many names for favourable notice, considering the case of the New South Wales Infantry as quite exceptional.'

"Colonial Secretary's Office, Sydney, 16th December, 1885.

"His Excellency the Governor directs the publication, for general information, of the following copy of a despatch from the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, transmitting general orders by his Royal Highness the Field Marshall Commanding-in-Chief, which contain the regulations in respect of the medals for the Soudan Contingent.

P. A. JENNINGS.

"'(N. S. Wales, No. 90.)

"'Downing-street, 4th September, 1885.

"'My Lord,—I have much pleasure in transmitting to your Lordship the accompanying general orders by his Royal Highness the Field Marshall Commanding-in-Chief, which contain the regulations in respect of the medals for the recent Soudan campaign.

"'I request that your Government will take steps for making this information public.

"'I have, &c., FRED. STANLEY.

"'Governor the Right Honorable

"'Lord Augustus W. F. S. Lo

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 16.

Ranelagh (s.), 836 tons, Captain W. Beel, from Rockhampton 12th instant, via ports. Passengers — Mrs A. Cowie, Mrs. Miller and two children, Mrs. Anning, Mrs. Robertson and child, Mrs. Stewart and child, Mrs. Landesberg, Miss Greire, Miss Cowley, Miss Northam, Captain Griffiths, Messrs. J. A. Kellher and five children, A. J. Wilson, C. White, Woolcote, M'Hatters, H. Stokes, J. Barry, B. Tullidge, Oliver Smith, Hopkins Baclay, P. B. Morton, D. Byron, H. J. Edgar, A. M'Millan, B. Long, W. S. Ferguson, Robertson, V. Rosenthal, H. Griere, and 50 in the steerage. A. S. N. Company, agents.

Murray (s.), 271 tons, Captain D. Anthon, from Port Macquarie 15th instant. Passengers—Miss Gardiner, Miss Warren, Messrs. Greigson, Blair, M'Intyre, Becke, Dangar, M'Sweeney, Cohen, and 2 in the steerage. John Sec and Co., agents.

Corakl (s., 350 tons, Captain S. Postens, from Maclear River 15th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Hogan, Mrs. Caffery, Mrs. Bell, Messrs. Hogan, Clancy, Carroll, Calligan, Jones, Cornelius, Edwards, Lancaster, Cassin, Kemp, Herbern, and 3 in the steerage. C. and R. R. S. N. Company, agents.

Bega (s.), 555 tons, Captain W. O. Hersee, from Eden and Southern ports 15th instant. Passengers: Mrs. Dillon, Miss Farrell, Messrs. Copeland, Martin, Tier, Johnson, Barnes, Kanaraan, Archibald, Stewart, Montgomery, Dillon, Fletcher, Wilkin, Sanderson, Shuback. I.S.N. Company, agents.

Platypus (s.), 217 tons, Captain D. Harper, from Richmond River 14th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Sharpe, Messrs. Jones, M'Conville, Jemstree, Thornber, and 19 in the steerage. C. and R.R.S.N. Co., agents.

You Yangs (s., 672 tons, Captain J. E. Munro, from Rockhampton, via Newcastle. W. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 16.

Archer (s.), for Cooktown via ports.

Currajong (s.), for Brisbane and Northern ports.

Ruthwell, barque, for Rangoon, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 17.

Corinna (s. ., for Launceston. via Eden; Roman Empire, ship, for Madras; Rosedale (s. , for Manning River; Fernmount (s.), far Bellinger River; Corakl (s.), for Maclesy River.

CLEARANCES.—DECEMBER 16.

Archer (s.), 694 tons, Captain F. W. Morris, for Cooktown via ports. Passengers—Mrs. Butler, Rev. M. Hackett, Master Butler, Master J. B. S. Cadell, Messrs. Alfred Sheweroft, John Shewcroft, Patrick Histon, M. Brodie, D. G. Haymen, Matthew Kelly, T. R. Hill, and 13 in the steerage.

Ruthwell, barque, 1296 tons, Captain M'Connell, for Rangoon, via Newcastle.

Currajong (s.), 603 tons, Captain Johnston, for Brisbane and Northern ports. Passengers—Miss Norman, Miss Mitchell, Mrs. Hogg, Miss Tyrell, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Brooks, and 7 in the steerage.

COASTERS INWARDS.—DECEMBER 16.

Annie Cochrane, from Tomakin, with 860 sleepers; Victoria, from Tweed River, with tons of sugar; Emily Ann, from Port Macquarie, with 20,000 feet hardwood; Amy, from Newcastle, with 320 tons coal; Fanny Dent, from Newcastle, with 94 tons coal; Agnes Rose, from Port Stephens, with 16,000 feet timber; Onward, from Port Stephens, with 18,000 feet timber; Sarah Benttie, from Bermagui, with 17,000 feet timber, 5 bags oysters; Tweed (s., from Tweed River, with 117 hides, 2 casks tallow, 3 empty casks, 24 cedar logs, 24 pine logs; Kent, from Tweed River, with 20,000 feet timber, and sundries; Newcastle (s., from Newcastle, with 280 bales wool, 30 bales skins, 45 bales hay, 280 cases soap, 75 cases wine, 28 cases eggs, 600 bags coke, 56 bags potatoes, 40 bags onions, 189 hides, 9 casks tallow, 15 casks wine, 15 bags oysters, 13 coops fowls, 36 calves, 2 horses, 79 baskets fish, 29 baskets prawns; Collaroy (s.), from Newcastle, with 141 bales hay, 196 hides, 5 bags bones, 13 casks tallow, 34 bales wool, 1 bundle skins, 12 bags onions, 15 cags potatoes, 25 pigs, 25 lambs, 8 horses, 12 cows and calves, 33 head cattle.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—DECEMBER 16.

Annie Cochrane, for Tomakin; Emily Ann, for Port Macquarie; Victoria, for Kiama; Amy, for Newcastle; Fanny Dent, for Redhead; Onward, for Port Stephens; Sarah Bastle, for Bermagui; Tweed (s.), for Tweed River; Kent, for Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—DECEMBER 16.

[A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.]

Ranelagh (s.), from Rockhampton, via ports: 83 bales wool, 142 hides, 13 casks tallow, 9 bags oysters, 1 package clothing, 3 bundles sheepskins, 151 bags tin ore, 4454 bags sugar, 15 cases pines, 2 horses and sundries.

Ex Potosi: 10 cases English bacon; 4 cases Pears' toilet soap—PEARE AND HARCOURT.

Ex Austria: 100 barrels salt salmon; 300 cases canned salmon BUTCHER, FENON, AND CO.

Ex Vision, from Kaipara, N. Z.: 76,375 feet dressed kauri timber; 3437 feet rough kauri timber—AUCKLAND TIMBER CO., Limited, Blackwattle Bay.

EXPORTS.—DECEMBER 16.

Curraiong (s.), for Brisbane and northern ports: 3 bales corks, 6 cases furniture and bedd ng, 38 axle arms, 10 bundles wire, 9 plates iron, 20 casks lime, 9 bundles netting, 6 packages hops, 6 cases drapery, 9 cases milk, 15 cases sauce, 26 cases jam, 9 cases chocolate, 60 sacks oats, 350 bags maize, 818 bags chaff, 400 bags flour, 110 bags potatoes, 28 bales hay, 32 bags bran, 394 cases fruit, 12 pieces grindstone, 11 casks sulph. iron, 7 drums oil, 180 cases and packages merchandise and sundries.

Archer (s.), for Cooktown, via ports: 33 packages chairs, 20 packages dates, 50 packages mace, 17 cases bacon, 4 cases cheese, 4 casks suet, 10 casks stout, 10 cases pickles, 5 cases salmon, 10 cases whisky, 60 cases brandy, 11 packages tea, 3 bags oats, 15 bales hay, 90 bags maize, 20 kegs butter, 85 bags onions, 1520 bags chaff, 68 bags potatoes, 1 case opium, 220 empty casks, 5 packages drapery, 50 cases kerosene, 34 packages railings, 37 packages merchandise, and sundries.

Ruthwell, for Rangoon, via Newcastle: 204 tons coal.

CUSTOM HOUSE. — Entered Outwards: December 16, Chas. B. Kenney, American barque, 1073 tons, Captain D. H. Dahler, for San Francisco, via Newcastle; Ruthwell, barque, 1296 tons, Captain A. M'Connell, for Rangoon, via Newcastle; Currajong (s.), 410 tons, Captain T. L. Johnston, for Brisbane, Maryborough, and Rockhampton.

The P. and O. Company's R.M.S. Massilia, Captain Shallard, with the inward Suez mails and files to November 13, arrived at Albany at 9.30 p.m. on Tuesday, and sailed again for Adelaide at 4 a.m. yesterday. The Sydney portion of her mails should reach here by Wednesday next.

The steamer Ranelagh left Rockhampton on the 12th instant; Maryborough on the 13th; Brisbane on the 14th, at 6.30 p.m.; rounded Cape Moreton at 8.20 p.m.; and arrived in Sydney 1.30 a.m. on the 16th, having made the passage in 37 hours. Experienced moderate E. winds and cloudy weather to the Tweed River; thence strong S.E. and S.W. winds and heavy rains to South Solitary; thence light variable winds and fine weather to arrival.

The steamer Platypus crossed the Richmond bar on Monday, December 14, at 11.30 a.m., and arrived in Sydney on Wednesday, the 16th, at 6 a.m. She had light variable winds throughout the passage. Cargo: 140 bags maize, 965 mats sugar, 6 coops fowls, 6 cases eggs, 72 hides, 6 kegs butter, 2 hogsheads ferns, 4 pigs, and sundries.

The steamer Murray crossed the Port Macquarie bar at 2.30 p.m. on the 15th instant, passed Seal Rocks at 9.3 p.m., and entered Sydney Heads at 10 a.m. on the 16th instant. Experienced light winds, fine weather, and smooth sea. Cargo: 700 bags maize, 14 pigs, 10 coops poultry, 4 cases eggs, 10,000 feet cedar, and quantity of sundries.

The ship Corolla is to be berthed at the Circular Quay to-day.

The brigantine Annie Moore has been sold by Mr. W. M. Burns of Sydney, to Mr. C. Miernedorff of Balmain, master mariner.

The Swedish barque Jupiter was berthed at Fagan's Wharf yesterday.

The three-masted schooner May is to be berthed at Alger's Wharf to-day.

Yesterday the American barque Chas. B. Kenney was moved from Mort's Dock to the stream.

The steamer Rotomahana arrived at Auckland at 7 o'clock yesterday morning.

The steamer Walhora was to sail from Russell yesterday afternoon for Sydney.

The steamer Corakl crossed the Macleay Bar on December 15 at 3 p.m., and entered Sydney Heads on the 16th at 3 p.m. Experienced light variable winds throughout the passage. Cargo: 1076 bags maize, 34 hides, 9 coops poultry, 12 cases eggs, 25 pigs, and sundries.

The barque Ruthwell, bound to Rangoon, via Newcastle, was taken in tow for the latter port last night by the steamer Phœbe.

The steamer Bega left Eden at 8 a.m. on the 15th instant, called at Merimbula, Tathra, and Bermagui, and arrived at the company's wharf, Erskine-street, Sydney, at noon on the 16th. She had N.E. winds and fine weather throughout. Cargo: 2 kegs butter, 103 cheeses, 67 bags bacon, 40 hides, 2 bundles hides, 2 rolls leather, 1 box tobacco, 2 tierces tallow, 60 bales wool, 1 crate turkeys, 1 horse, saddle, and bridle, 1 buggy, 8 pigs, and sundries.

Yesterday forenoon the steamer Bega passed a large ship, with numbers flying, beating north of Montague Island. Her numbers could not be made out.

The steamer Richmond, belonging to Mr. B. B. Nicoll, which arrived lately from Dundee, and was built specially for the Richmond River trade, has been laid up for the past ten days at the A.S.N. Company's works undergoing certain alterations to make her more suitable for that trade. The Richmond has had her funnel taken out and 8 feet added to its length, to give the furnaces more draught. She has also had new propeller fitted, and a large water-ballast tank built in aft, to immerse the propeller when the vessel is in light trim. The machinery has also had a most thorough overhaul. The vessel has been slipped and painted, and other alterations have been carried out, which will give her greater speed than she has yet developed. It is anticipated the Richmond will attain at least 12 knots by these alterations. She left on Tuesday night last for the Richmond River, with a large cargo and passengers. The Richmond should be a great favourite with passengers.

The steamer Tinonee, since passing from the A.S.N. Company to her new owner, Mr. B. B. Nicoll, has also been overhauled by the hands of Mr. Key, the superintendent of the A. S. Co., built on deck, works, during the past fortnight. The hatchway and a great deal enced; new yards, sails, &c., supplied; now in first-class order. also officers' houses. The saloon, light, she is very suitable for many improvements effected, and which she is to be employed. Mr. Being a twin screw and of like the S.S. Richmond and the S.S. the Richmond River trade in the Richmond River trade.

B. B. Nicoll intends Tinonee employed

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

BRISBANE.—Arrival: December 16, Leichardt (s.), from Bundaberg. Departures: City of Melbourne (s.), for Sydney; and Kellawarra (s.), for Townsville, via ports. The Hesketh (s.), for Mackay, via ports, arrived at Maryborough at midday; the Roma (s.), from London for Brisbane, arrived at Hervey Bay this morning; the Redondo (s.), from Rockhampton for Sydney, arrived at Maryborough; the Eurimbla (s.), from Sydney, and Yaralla (s.), for Mackay, arrived at Rockhampton yesterday; the Derwent (s.), from Townsville for Brisbane, via ports, arrived at Flattop Island this morning, and sailed; the Maranoa (s.), for Cooktown, left Townsville yesterday afternoon; the Quirsing (s.), from Port Douglas for Sydney, arrived at Townsville; the Geelong (s.), from Normanton for Brisbane, left Townsville yesterday evening; the Magara (barque) left Townsville last night for New Zealand.

BALLINA.—Departures: December 16, Tonki (s.), at 5 a.m.: Tinonee (s.), at 4 p.m., for Sydney; Terranora (s.), for Clarence River. When schooner Adonis, from Sydney, was crossing in the grounded inside the bar, near Pilot Station.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: December 16, G.M. Tucker, from Lyttelton; Bosphorus, from Wallaroo; Esk (s.), from Launceston; Jennie B., from Port Moresby; Namoi (s.), Sydney (s.), Lubra (s.), Corangamite (s.), Tasmania (s.), Grace Dent (s.), Patonga, from Sydney. Departures: December 15, Grace Roberts, Lopez, for Mexico; December 16, Glaucus (s.), for Guam; Rio, for Napier; Namoi (s.), Sydney (s.), Lubra (s.), Tasmania (s.), Tenterden (s.), Crest of the Wave, Countess of Errol, Chieftain, for Sydney.

(FROM THE BOARD AT TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—December 16, Daphne, Condong, Bellbird, and Morning Light, at anchor; Liffey, at anchor, off bar.

RICHMOND HEADS.—Arrived: December 16, Atlanta, aground inside bar. Departures.—December 16, Tonki, at 5 a.m.; Tinonee (s.), at 3 p.m. Passed: December 16, Lorne (s.), at 8.45 a.m. south.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrived: December 16, Fiona (s.), at 6.15 a.m.; 12 feet at high water on bar. Departure: December 16, Helen Nicoll (s.), at 2.50 p.m. Passed: December 16, Tonki (s.), at 9 a.m., south.

MACLEAY HEADS.—Arrival: December 16, Woodburn (s.), at 8 p.m.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Passed: December 16, City of Grafton, at 8.15 p.m.; Richmond (s.), at 8.30 p.m.; Burwah (s.), at 8.40 a.m.; Cintra (s.), at 9.10 a.m.; Menmuir (s.), at 9.30 a.m.; Australian (s.), at 8.10 p.m., north; Kalcomba (s.), at 2.30 p.m., south.

MANNING RIVER.—Departure: December 16, Rosedale (s.).

SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: December 16, Queen of the South (s.), at 7.35 a.m., north; Rosedale (s.), at 7.40 p.m., south.

PORT STEPHENS.—Arrival: December 16, Kingsley (s.), at 11.30 a.m. Departure: December 16, Joker, ketch, at 8.30 a.m. Passed: December 16, a steamer, at 5.30 a.m., south; Thetis (s.), with punt in tow, at 7.20 p.m., north.

WOLLONGONG.—Departures: December 16, Moses Fletcher, for Moruya; Violet, for Shoalhaven; Illawarra (s.), for Kiama; Herga (s.), for Clifton.

KIAMA.—Arrivals: December 16, Beagle (s.), from Sydney; Commodore (s.), Irresistible (s.), Illawarra (s.), and Hailey Bayley, from Sydney. Departures: December 16, Commodore (s.), Irresistible (s.), at 1 p.m.; Beagle (s.), at 4.45 p.m., for Sydney; Comerang (s.), at 7.30 p.m., for Sydney. Passed: December 16, a large steamer at 6 p.m., north.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: December 16, Karaweera (s.), at 1.50 p.m., north.

TERARA.—Arrivals: December 16, Illawarra (s.), at 1.30 p.m., from Sydney; Forest Queen, 1.30 p.m., from Sydney; Violet, at 2 p.m., from Sydney.

MONTA HEADS.—Passed: December 16, a schooner-rigged steamer, black funnel, at 8 a.m., north; Union (s.), at 1 p.m., south.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Departure: December 16, Elsmore, for Ulladulla.

EDEN.—Departure: December 16, Flora (s.), at 4 p.m., for Sydney.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: December 16, a steamer, at 6.45 a.m., north; a steamer at 9.45 a.m., a steamer at 1 p.m., south.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: December 16, a barque, at 1.50 p.m.; a steamer at 4.15 a.m., north; Konoowarra (s.), at 9.30 a.m.; Ly-ee-moon (s.), at 11.12 a.m.; Enaby (s.), at 12.5 p.m.; Nemesis (s.), at 12.55 p.m.; Fiado (s.), at 3.25 p.m., west.

ALBANY.—Departure 16, R.M.S. Massilia, at 4 a.m., for Sydney, via ports.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

In the Stock and Share market the business was largely confined to silver-mining stocks, there being a further fall in values. Mercantile Mutual Insurance were dearer. Burwood Coal were offered at a lower price. The following sales were reported:—Balmain Ferry, new shares, 7s. 6d.; Newcastle Steam, 13s.; Mercantile Mutual Insurance, 3s. 10d.; Wickham and Bullock Island Coal, 23s. 9d.; Great Cobar Copper, 8s. 6d.; Nymagee Copper, 12s. 6d.; Tonkin's Silver, 1s. 6d. Afternoon sales:—Mercantile Mutual Insurance, 3s. 10d.; Sydney Freehold Land, 27s.; Silver King Silver, 19s. 9d., 20s., 18s., 17s. 6d.; Sunny Corner Silver, 45s., 44s. 6d.; Tonkin's Silver, 1s. 7d., 1s. 6d. Closing quotations were:—

BANKS.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Joint Stock	15½	15¾	New S. Wales	35½	35¾
City	15½	16	N.Z., Sydney reg.	—	20½
Commercial	104	106	Ditto, N. Z. reg.	—	20½
Federal	—	39	Queensland Nat.	9½	9¾
Mercantile	5½	6	Union	—	68

STEAM.

Australasian	13½	13¾	Illawarra	7¾	—
Balmain Ferry	19 6	20/	Newcastle	12/9	13/3
Ditto, 5s paid	7 3	7/6	N. Shore Ferry	41/	45/
C. and R. R.	—	—	Ditto, 5th call pd.	—	—
Ditto, preferent	—	—	Port Jackson	64/	66/
Hunter River	—	10½			

INSURANCE.

General	4¾	5¼	Mercan. Mutual	3/6	4/
Austrin. M'tual, 2s 6d paid	—	15 6	New Zealand	—	—
City Mutual	1/8	1/9	Pacific	—	—
			United	57/6	60/

MISCELLANEOUS.

Australian Gas	13½	14½	Perkins	54 6	55/6
Ditto, new	10½	10¾	Saywell's	16 6	17/
City Carving	—	8/3	Shale and Oil	6 6	7/
C'lem's Brew'y	24 9	26/	Exchange	13	14
Hudson Bros.	8/6	9/	Vol. Land Ordar	—	170
Mont de Piété	21	21/3			

LAND AND BUILDING COMPANIES.

Anglo-A.I.F.L.	42/	65/	Mer. B. L. & In.	20/6	22/6
C.B. & In.	60/	—	Ditto, 7s paid	7/	7/9
Excelsior L., B., I., F. & B.	—	—	Syd. Freehold	25/6	27/6
Metrop. B. & In.	—	6½	Syd. and Provincial Land	—	6½

MINES.

Bulli Coal	—	11½	New Mnt. Hope	—	10/
Burwood, 20s pd.	—	17/3	Nymagee	12/	13/6
Ditto, 17s paid	—	14/9	Wesley	1/	2/6
Newcastle	17	—	Sunny Corner	44/	44/6
Stockton, 20s pd.	24 6	26/3	Silver King	17/	17/6
Vale of Clwydd	12	15/	Nevada	1/7	1/10
Wallsend	39½	40	Great Western	2/7	2/9
Waratah	6	7	Tonkin's	1/5	1/8
Wickham and Bullock Island	23/6	24/	Lubra	1/	1/3
Great Cobar Copper	8/	8/9	Band and Albion Gold	64/	66/

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

N. S. Wales Funded	100	—	Debentures, due 1902	103	109½

Mr. Josiah Mullens reports having floated the New South Wales Insurance Corporation, Fire and Marine, Limited, 125,000 shares having been subscribed. At the meeting of the provisional committee this afternoon a special committee was appointed, to act in conjunction with the solicitor to the company, to prepare the necessary deed, to be submitted at a future meeting of shareholders. We are informed that the applicants for shares number about 290.

Messrs. Watt and Dodds report having floated the Carrington Gold-mining Company, Limited, capital £80,000, in £1 shares, for the purpose of working a gold-mining lease near Tuena.

The fifth annual report of the Haymarket Permanent Land, Building, and Investment Company, Limited, states that, after deducting the whole of the expenses of management, the net profits for the year, including the sum brought forward, amounted to no less than £18,317, out of which the dividend for the half-year ended 15th May had been paid, £500 carried to the contingent fund, leaving £15,558 to the credit of profit and loss, but of this the directors proposed to pay a dividend for the past half-year at the rate of 20 per cent. per annum, which would absorb about £4900, to increase the reserve fund from £14,000 to £20,000, and carry forward £4600. During the year the deposits had increased from £40,944 to £86,617. The assets included £59,944 owing on mortgage, £56,427 balances owing on land sales, and £70,165, cost of land unsold.

The prospectus of the Fairfield Land and Building Company, Limited, capital £10,000, in 10,000 shares of £1 each, has been advertised in other columns. Of the capital 1s. is payable on application, 1s. on allotment, and the balance as required at intervals of not less than one month from 1st January. The object is to purchase 100 acres of land, part of the Chisholm, Kenyon, and Bellinger estates, Fairfield; to form roads and subdivide the estate into allotments; to sell the same; to loan money on mortgage or otherwise to persons building on the estate; to receive cash deposits at interest; and for purposes of investment, with power to purchase other properties.

A cablegram elsewhere mentions that the United States Senate has passed the long-talked-of measure for the cessation of silver coinage. Writing on this subject some time back the *Saturday Review* observed:—

"Until the suspension of specie payments at the outbreak of the Civil War, silver in the United States, as in France, was legal tender just as well as gold. When, however, specie payments were resumed six years ago, Congress at first declared only gold legal tender, but the owners of the great silver mines in the West bear that sub-Territories brought so much which Mr. Bland has given sequently an Act was secretary of the Treasury was required his name, to not less than £400,000 in silver every month, quite not than £800,000. The Secretary of the Treasury has coined only the minimum amount; and since the Act was passed, therefore, the United States mints have turned out £4,800,000 in silver pieces annually."

It is the repeal of this Act that is now said to have been sanctioned by the American Senate. Its operation has been to glut the United States Treasury, banks, and Government offices with coined siver, and the fear has been general that by the repeal of the measure an immense quantity of this silver will be placed in the market and its value diminished. Already, in fact, the fear of this repeal has reduced the price nearly 20 per cent. Whether the final passage of this measure will cause any further reduction, and to what extent, remains to be seen. Writing, in anticipation of this event, some time back, the *Economist* said:—"The sudden throwing of large additional amounts of silver upon the market might be productive of temporary disturbance; the effect would probably be very much smaller, and not at all so enduring as many appear now to fear; and whatever may be the immediate course of the market, the stoppage of the American compulsory coinage must in the end be a gain." It was the fluctuations in the value of silver that had unsettled trade rather than the fall in price. No doubt the removal of an artificial prop on a bad foundation intended to support the value of silver will in the end cause prices to rest on a natural, and therefore more satisfactory, basis. China, India, and other Eastern countries are taking large quantities of silver. In his recently-published work on the "History of Prices," Mulhall says that "since 1860 India and China have absorbed a little more than the total product of the silver mines of the world." He thinks silver has become a drug simply because its employment in manufacture is growing less owing to the diminished use of silver plate.

From the *Australasian Insurance and Banking Record* for December we gather that the average deposits in the banks of the various Australasian colonies for the quarter ended 30th September amounted to £84,524,466, an increase for the quarter of £1,280,471, and for the year of £5,564,265. The coin and bullion, amounting to £14,676,677, showed an increase for the quarter of £17,966, and for the year of £1,294,176. The advances reached the total of £103,807,670, an increase for the quarter of £2,237,847, and for the year of £9,002,473. Victoria, New South Wales, and Queensland had monopolised the bulk of the increase, having received no less than £8,154,042 of the whole of the additional advances. These colonies also provided four-fifths of the increase in the deposits. Another colony, Queensland, has now been added to the list of those in which the Government banking returns are kept separate. In Victoria, New Zealand, South Australia, and Queensland, the amount of Government money held on deposit was £5,820,167. The *Record* observes, "The general impression conveyed by an examination of the returns is that they are prosaic and inferentially prudent. Speaking broadly, they do not as yet disclose that depression which might be looked for owing to the unfavourable condition of pastoral interests through the relentless scourge of dry seasons. Of course, only bankers themselves can know whether their securities are what is technically known as 'liquid,' and if some of them are not, they must wait with equanimity that favourable reaction which is an Australian characteristic. It must, of course, be now a consolation to Australasian bankers to remember their loss of squatting advances taken over by numerous finance and mortgage companies which came into existence so numerously some years ago. Their past loss is their present gain. Beyond doubt the banks (that is, some of them) are still large creditors of wool-growers and cattle-breeders, but their engagements of this kind are much more manageable than formerly. Those banks which have partially relinquished pastoral advances, with which may be bracketed those which never had any, have found other ready outlets for their funds."

In the Import markets trade to-day was not marked by much of special interest. There were a good many transactions, but mostly of small lines for the requirements of the day. The auction grocery business of this morning included nothing of special interest. There is little disposition to compete for sugars at auction, and the catalogue was passed in. Privately, no business of importance transpired. The demand for Christmas goods continues fairly active. Hams are moving off freely, at 12½d. to 1s. 1d. There is very little doing in fish, and prices all round continue depressed. For common tea there was more inquiry, and for a parcel a half-penny per lb. in advance of the prices ruling three weeks ago was offered. About 150 halves were placed at 50s. Candles are still depressed in value, 7d. to 7¾d may be quoted as the range of values for stearines. Grocery goods of almost all kinds are fully stocked, the market lacking buoyancy. In liquids there is little to notice. Leading brands of bottled ale noticed freely. Wine also is in good request, sales being reported. There is nothing fresh to notice in metals: quotations for the various kinds are without change, and almost nominal. Soda crystals are almost unsaleable, the market being very much overstocked. Blasting powder is scarce; and quoted up to 8d. from distributors' stocks. Messrs. Fraser and Co.'s timber sale to-day was well attended by the trade. The catalogue was large, chiefly of rough and dressed redwood. Rough was fairly competed for, while the demand for dressed and doors was rather slack. The following rates were realised:—Ex North Star, 1 and 2 inch rough clear redwood at 18s. 6d., 1½ at 18s.; 1½, 1¾d, 2½, 3, 4, 5, 6 at 19s.; 1½ x 6 redwood architraves at 15s., 1¼ x 6 at 18s., 1 x 6 at 8s. 9d., 1¼ x 5 at 11s., 1 x 5 at 7s., 1¼ x 5 at 7s. 6d., 1 x 4 at 5s. 3d.; 1 x 3 band mouldings at 4s. 6d., 1 x 2½ at 3s. 9d., 1 x 2 at 2s. 9d., 2 x 2 Scotia at 6s., 1½ x 2 at 4s. 3d., 1¼ x 1½ at 2s. 6d., 1 x 1¼ at 1s. 6d., 1 x 2 Astragal at 2s., 1 x 1½ base at 2s. 6d., 1 x 6 redwood skirting at 8s. 3d., 1 x 7 at 11s. 6d., 1 x 8 at 15s., 1 x 9 at 17s., 1 x 10 at 17s. 9d., lattice at 8s.; redwood doors, 6s. 3d. to 13s.; sugar-pine doors, 8s. 3d. to 17s. Ex Ericsson: 7 x ¼ T. and G. Oregon flooring at 15s., and also 1-inch Michigan clear pine at 23s., 1½ at 28s. 6d., 2-inch at 24s., 4-inch at 27s 6d.; 1½ clear pine at 20s. 6d., 1½ at 21s.; 12-inch revere shelving at 18s. 9d., 1½ backing boards at 5s. 9d.; 6 x ½ T., G., and B. white Baltic flooring at 12s.

Messrs. Mort and Co., Limited, offered about 3700 bales wool at auction to-day, and sold 2482 under the hammer, besides 407 bales placed privately. There was a large attendance of buyers, and an animated demand for well skirted and sound free wools in grease suitable for American orders, and which brought up to 9¼d., several other lines bringing 9d., 8¾d., and 8½d. Medium wools were also in brisk request, but for faulty parcels the market was weaker. Washed fleece wools were in good supply, and brought from 8d. to 13½d. per lb., latter price for a small parcel from New England. Among the principal lines sold the following may be noted, viz.:—R J, 26 bales greasy, from Bookham, at 9¾d.; pieces at 6d.; — over C B, 38 bales from Ironbarks, at 8d., skirts at 5d.; MT over diamond, 131 from Uralla, at 9½d. for combing, 8¼d. for clothing, and 5½d. for skirts; JC in oblong, 10 ewes from Wagga at 9d.; M O C, 69 from the Murrumbidgee at 7¾d. for ewes' fleece, 7d. for lambs', 5½d. for pieces; Inglevale, 56 from Gunning at 7d.; P over G, 80 from Binalong at 7¾d.; JHB over Landgrove, 85 from Murrumburrah at the same figure; J. M'Culloch over Colombo Plain, 22 from Urana at 7½d.; Nanima, 59 from the Lachlan at 7¾d.; AC conjoined, 45 from Goulburn at 7½d.; CY over Cotway, 59 from Gundagai at 7¾d.; Wallandool, 21 from Albury at 7¾d.; TR over Combarra, 61 from the Castlereagh at 5d.; Llangollen, lambswool from Cassilis at 7d.; B over BB, 89 from Yass at 7¾d.; P and B over Rampsbeck, 60 bales from Armidale at 6½d.; JMY over Woodville, 36 from the same direction at 6¼d.; JC over W, 22 bales from Queanbeyan at 7¾d.; JG, 17 crossbred from Horse Park, Gininderra, at 6¼d.; Morrice, 48 crossbred from Mittagong at 7¾d.; RD conjoined, 28 from Jugiong at 8¾d. Washed fleece:—TMA over New England at 10½d.; TX over Honeysuckle, from Gundagai, at 10½d.; JC over Namby, 23 from Whero at 11½d.; Z over A over New England at 13½d.; AP, 23 from Bendemeer at 9¾d.; HO, 20 from Cowra at 11½d.; FS, 19 from Goulburn at 9¾d. (rod), 42 from Queanbeyan at 10d., for Melbourne, report as follows, yesterday:—

Messrs. R. Goldsbrough & Co. attendance at our wool sales on Wednesday was very spirited competition, especially for light-necked mountain wools from South Eastern Riverina and the Upper Murray districts. Good crossbreds and scoured were also in strong demand. Greased ranged from 11d. to 1s. 2d., and scoured to 17½d. We sold 5200 bales for the week."

The following table shows the declared value of the imports and exports at the Sydney Customs from January 1 to December 12, 1884 and 1885:—

—	1884. Imports.	1884. Exports.	1885. Imports.	1885. Exports.
To Jan. 10	£743,380	£841,062	£385,137	£516,785
" 17	558,500	222,230	428,141	147,127
" 24	193,667	220,189	288,438	387,877
" 31	278,116	485,585	508,553	349,360
Feb. 7	350,291	404,214	403,737	182,982
" 14	467,005	440,093	351,667	237,956
" 21	474,276	241,836	501,302	226,985
" 28	339,956	261,963	254,363	191,796
Mch. 7	398,276	140,714	400,436	174,825
" 14	470,023	230,382	281,487	140,978
" 21	470,311	275,513	414,724	221,504
" 28	385,416	218,495	484,563	230,779
April 4	320,675	179,463	402,912	116,052
" 11	409,554	133,548	501,640	115,171
" 18	321,289	122,864	426,677	199,450
" 25	403,583	259,381	489,820	143,143
May 2	450,352	183,803	257,696	213,391
" 9	344,177	126,243	259,373	119,966
" 16	341,286	193,430	480,457	118,336
" 23	316,989	136,919	264,982	173,239
" 30	378,919	134,309	373,096	218,901
June 6	306,697	133,874	400,877	144,922
" 13	445,636	132,365	454,338	147,387
" 20	463,403	228,336	374,986	107,377
" 27	356,543	194,928	380,482	192,311
July 4	358,262	164,851	358,506	141,450
" 11	358,198	97,074	252,392	151,873
" 18	493,058	201,885	396,886	167,306
" 25	297,667	162,071	346,807	98,408
Aug. 1	356,367	131,166	378,791	136,702
" 8	438,108	9,507	462,884	150,365
" 15	442,287	123,339	570,998	175,919
" 22	502,390	236,022	458,390	192,644
" 29	467,846	90,118	373,783	112,229
Sept. 5	501,703	111,697	744,298	146,803
" 12	387,874	119,731	329,767	277,487
" 19	363,296	183,288	410,308	230,201
" 26	319,737	271,264	511,147	114,035
Oct. 3	368,995	146,443	403,864	238,186
" 10	360,469	188,641	345,826	304,377
" 17	488,118	266,958	367,395	273,463
" 24	333,856	96,178	325,106	254,178
" 31	435,894	382,192	479,524	292,496
Nov. 7	342,133	340,898	398,907	255,973
" 14	324,422	241,565	341,089	429,279
" 21	344,278	180,821	416,731	295,071
" 28	444,509	468,397	353,760	351,021
Dec. 5	355,983	467,254	409,755	470,379
" 12	488,745	476,136	536,885	349,769
	£19,680,118	£10,347,094	£19,259,276	£10,540,893

The value of imports at the port of Sydney for the week ending 12th December, 1885, amounts to £356,885, of which the principal items are:—

Apparel and drapery, £62,805; boots and shoes, £19,444; beer, £3995; dried fruit, £3150; flour, £6626; gold, £55,931; hardware, £20,143; kerosene oil, £1500; malt, £2837; opium, £1594; oilmen's stores, £1476; rice, £1826; sugar, £13,632; skins and hides, £2132; tea, £7424; timber, £10,841; tobacco and cigars, £2211; tobacco leaf, £3000; wool, £2448.

The value of exports for the same period amounts to £349,769, of which the principal items are:—

Galvanised iron, £353; spirits, £778; tea, £544; books, £1983; boots, £3727; coin, £103,000; drapery, £10,186; fruit, £2286; furniture, £1120; hardware, £6324; hides, £3059; jewellery, £1490; meats, £1788; machinery, £1583; silver ingots, £4552; tallow, £10,598; tin, £8329; wool, £264,362.

The following was the Customs revenue received to-day:—

Spirits, £2377 19s.; wine, still, £168 2s. 6d.; wine, s

of Sydney. Even if cholera finds its way to this city, we may be able to minimise its effects. But, while this is a possibility, it is not a possibility to be too confidently calculated on. The fact to be faced is that cholera of a very destructive character is in Queensland, and may get here.

Nor is that the only fact to be faced, or the most serious one. We may, or may not, get cholera; but it is certain that we have typhoid, and are getting more and more of it. In the middle of the year it was reported that there were about 150 cases of typhoid in the hospitals of the metropolis. And if there were so many cases in the hospitals, how many must there have been beyond them? Further, if there was so much typhoid in the metropolis, how much must there have been in the colony generally? This was the state of things in the early part of the year. But what is the state of things now? A day or two ago it was reported in our columns that the number of the persons who are suffering from typhoid is largely in excess of the number at the corresponding period of last year; that 38 acute typhoid fever patients have been taken to the Coast Hospital from the city and suburbs during the last three weeks, and that at the corresponding period of last year there were only eleven cases at that hospital. But figures like these not only do not excite alarm; they are read without interest. People who are frightened at the reports of cholera think nothing of reports of typhoid fever. But, in reality, we have much more to fear from the latter than from the former. Even if cholera should be brought here, it might find fewer victims than typhoid fever has been finding, and is likely to find hereafter. It is not the poison that kills instantly, that robs us of a score or two of our fellow-citizens every day, and that is soon got rid of, that is most to be dreaded. When such a plague comes we brace ourselves up to meet it. It is the slow, the searching, and the insidious poison that goes on working month after month, and year after year, that we have to fear; and such a poison is typhoid. Where we lose one life by the faster process we lose twenty by the slower one. Twelve hundred cases of typhoid in a year mean 200 deaths, and where there are 200 persons who die there are, perhaps, a larger number who are rendered more or less unfit to live. It would be a mistake to suppose that the one thing we have to fear is cholera. If cholera kills, so does typhoid; and if the one is preventible, so is the other.

Cholera and typhoid have much in common. The conditions that are favourable to the one are favourable to the other. Impure water, foul air, stagnant pools, filthy drains, and overflowing cesspits: these are the things that breed cholera, and they are the things that breed typhoid, which, it has been truly said, is the disgrace as well as the scourge of cities. Who can say that we are free from such things? The city may be more or less free from them, but the same cannot be said of the suburbs, and it is in the suburbs that the bulk of the population live. There are parts of the metropolis in which stagnant pools and filthy drains, even if there are drains at all, are the rule not the exception, where uncleanly people can do what they please, and where there is not even the semblance of inspection. Except in regard to one disease there is no necessity to report infection to the authorities. A thoughtless or a malignant householder may harbour a deadly malady and nobody need be the wiser. That is the state of the law at this moment. We pay many thousands a year to bring immigrants to the colony, and yet scores and hundreds of people die of typhoid and other things, simply because we do not take the trouble to keep them alive. Our increasing mortality is the result of our evil ways.

It cannot be said that the fact has not been explained and moralised upon. For the last ten years the newspapers have been writing about it incessantly, and a few months ago an attempt was made to move the Government. For one thing, we had an intercolonial sanitary conference in the city. Next our local doctors took up the question, and the clergy followed suit. Dr. BARRY proclaimed the gospel of sanitation from the pulpit of the Cathedral. In addition to all this, there was a great meeting and a great deputation of citizens; and for a time there was a hope that all this labour would not be lost. So far as the Government was concerned it yielded fruit. The Government prepared a bill, and we may add a very elaborate bill. The bill was defective—every great bill is at first defective—in some points seriously defective; but it embodied the provisions which experts have pronounced necessary, and which, sooner or later, must become law. But what treatment did this measure get in the Assembly? In more than one instance it was ridiculed, and one honorable member went so far as to inquire who had asked for a health bill. It may be said that it was not a health bill of a proper kind, but the particular bill introduced by the Government to which exception was taken; that in regard to the public health members of Parliament are not indifferent; and that if a good health bill were introduced it would be accepted by all parties. But what ground is there for believing anything of the kind? It is easy to see how much legislation, or even discussion, in the direction of the health of the people there has been during the last seven years, for example. How many of the questions that have been asked, and of the adjournment motions that have been raised, in the House have had any bearing on this? It is now more than three months since Parliament was called together; but what notice has there been of the fact that a filth disease has been spreading in our midst, or what evidence is there that such a fact is even considered? There has been talk enough about other things, but there has been little or none about this. Honorable members are too much concerned about their party differences to think of the health of the people. If a vessel were to bring us a dozen cholera cases to-morrow, and the plague were to find a footing among us, Parliament would no doubt wake from its sleep. But the true policy is not to wait till cholera has come, but to decide that it shall not come, or that its coming shall be to no purpose. This is not the policy of our legislators, and the fact is a matter for regret. With us the health of the people has not been the chief concern of the State. It is little short of a scandal that typhoid goes on committing its ravages, and that little or nothing in the way of prevention or cure is being done by the Parliament of the country.

The summing up of his Honor Sir JAMES MARTIN, in the case of HOWELL v. CARNE, reported in to-day's issue, will be read with great interest by the public generally. The action was brought by the widow of a man who was killed by the fall of a verandah attached to a building which was being repaired by the defendant, a contractor. The immediate cause of the accident appears to have been a blow which one of the verandah posts received from a cart loaded with bricks which was being driven out from the building. The deceased, who was passing under the awning, in the exercise of a right, which, as Sir JAMES MARTIN emphatically stated, every member of the public was entitled to enjoy, was actually killed, not by the fall of the awning itself, but by a quantity of flooring boards, which fell upon and crushed him to death. These boards were, as the jury found, improperly placed on the verandah. A verdict was returned for the plaintiff, with £1500 damages. The broader question, however, affecting the public welfare is as to the liability of persons erecting or repairing buildings for the consequences of their neglect to take reasonable precautions to insure the safety of the public. It is to be hoped that the statement of the law by his HONOR emphasised as it has been by the substantial verdict of the jury, will put some check upon the careless disregard of public convenience which is too often shown by contractors whose works are being carried on in every part of our growing city; and further, that this case will act as a salutary reminder to the persons who have authority to carry out the regulations of the City of Sydney Improvement Act, as well as the officers of the Corporation, to enforce more strictly the regulations as to the boarding in of places where works are being carried on so as to protect the eyes of the public from stone-chippings and clouds of brickdust; and to compel contractors and others whose works may necessitate a monopoly of the public footpath to provide some convenient equivalent for foot passengers. From the evidence in HOWELL v. CARNE it appeared that the accident might have been avoided if the cart passage had been boarded in. And contractors will do well to remember that any similar disregard of precautions, demanded by the public welfare, may result in expensive consequences.

The buying up of seats in a theatre by an enterprising speculator, to which reference has been made, may no doubt be disappointing to such of the public as were going rather to see the GOVERNOR than the "Mikado." It is, perhaps, a thing that ought not to be encouraged. But on occasions when there is some great attraction it is a common enough custom for people to take advantage of opportunities to make money. They will sell their tickets to see and hear the "stars." In this case the speculator takes all the responsibilities, and the lessees are relieved. If the lessees of the theatre did not think it was proper to make money by a higher tariff when they secured the patronage of the GOVERNOR, they could hardly prevent anyone from taking half the seats, or the whole of them—whether to accommodate his friends gratis, or for resale at a guinea a ticket, was no concern of theirs. "First come first served" we imagine must be the rule on such occasions. If in the circumstances there is a crowded house, it cannot be taken as evidence of disrespect to her MAJESTY'S representative; in fact, it would be evidence in the other direction. And if there is not a crowded house, will not his EXCELLENCY have the pleasure of enjoying the performance in a less stifling atmosphere? A small house can be no ground for dissatisfaction to him, whilst a large one will have its disadvantages. In either case he may be pleased. So much may be said for the GOVERNOR. As to the public, if they do not like to pay the price which the speculator fixes, they can simply refuse their patronage. They can serve him out by refusing to attend, without any dishonour and with some comfort to the GOVERNOR. They will, no doubt, have another opportunity of seeing her MAJESTY'S representative, and yet another of seeing the "Mikado." The remedy is in their hands. The GOVERNOR need feel no concern; and the suggestion of a correspondent, that he ought to stay away, is not worth his consideration.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Dismay yesterday morning and afternoon there were rumours current throughout the city that the Government had resolved to tender their resignations, but as the Cabinet was sitting for a long time it was not possible to get any positive information on the subject. However, the report had gained such currency that large numbers of persons were induced to assemble at the Houses of Parliament in the afternoon in order to ascertain the truth. They had not to wait very long, for directly the Speaker had taken the chair Mr. Dibbs rose and said that since the House met the previous night the Government had taken into consideration the position of affairs, and he was about to take a course which he was satisfied would meet with the approval of hon. gentlemen opposite. When he made his financial statement he distinctly informed the committee that unless the Government had the assurance of the support of a fair working majority he would, on behalf of himself and his colleagues, tender their resignations to his Excellency the Governor. That course he had taken, and before he moved the adjournment of the House he said he would like the House to do an act of courtesy to the new Governor—to acknowledge his Excellency's address. He did not see any chance of any Government performing the duties of a Government unless they had a fair working majority; and in a House of 122 members a working majority should consist of at least 15 or 20 members; but looking over the division list he was satisfied that he was taking the right course. He had performed his duty in making the financial statement, and as he did not see that he had any chance of a working majority, he had taken the course of tendering the resignation of himself and his colleagues. He pointed out that there had been no discussion of the financial statement, except by Mr. Garvan—nothing but coarse personal attacks upon individual members of the Government. Mr. Dibbs was about to move the address in reply to Lord Carrington's message when the Speaker pointed out that the ordinary course of business had better be proceeded with.

THE questions on the business paper of the Legislative Assembly were postponed yesterday, in consequence of Mr. Dibbs' statement that the Ministry had resigned. The message from his Excellency, announcing his appointment as Governor of the colony, and his assumption of office, was then read; and Mr. Dibbs moved the adoption of the customary address in reply, which was seconded by Sir John Robertson, and agreed to. Some formal business was transacted, and leave was given to the Committee of Elections and Qualifications to sit during the adjournment of the House. Mr. Melville then moved that the same privilege be accorded to the committee appointed in his own case, which, after some discussion, was agreed to.

MR. DIBBS, in moving the adjournment of the Legislative Assembly yesterday, desired to supplement the statement he had previously made by saying that he had advised his Excellency the Governor to send for Sir John Robertson, and that his Excellency had in the meantime requested the Ministry to hold office until their successors were appointed. Sir John Robertson then rose and expressed his sorrow that hon. gentlemen opposite were not going to remain in office. Those who had accused him of being anxious for office were greatly mistaken, yet if there was any necessity for it he would do his duty to the best of his ability, but he would try to shift the responsibility to stronger shoulders than his own. The House adjourned at 6 minutes past 5 o'clock.

LESS than half-an-hour sufficed for the Legislative Council to transact its business yesterday. The President took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock. Fully 10 minutes elapsed, however, before any business was proceeded with, and meanwhile sundry mysterious conferences in a low tone of voice took place between the Representative of the Government (the Hon. George Thornton) and the President and Mr. L. F. De Salis. A rumour had gained currency during the afternoon that the Government had resigned, and it was understood that Mr. Thornton was about to startle the Council with a Ministerial statement of an extraordinary character, but nothing definite was known of what had or was likely to transpire. Hon. members generally wore a somewhat inquiring aspect, and their anxiety seemed to be increased by the peculiar delay which occurred after the entry of the President. Eventually the conferences ended, and the consideration of the business paper—which was made up of a question and the third reading of a private bill—was reached. Mr. Lucas who had previously risen prematurely, and somewhat disturbed the progress of a confidential conference, now rose the second time, but instead of troubling the Representative of the Government with a somewhat exhaustive series of questions standing in his name withdrew the notice, and intimated that he would bring it up at another sitting in a "more simple form." The third reading of the Bodalla Estate Bill, and the usual formalities in connection with the despatch of it to the Legislative Assembly having been authorised, all eyes were eagerly directed to Mr. Thornton for an elucidation of the mystery. But yet another delay arose. Mr. L. F. De Salis had a grievance, and as that was the first time since the opening of the new Parliament that he had attended the Council, he felt it incumbent upon him to move the adjournment of the House to draw attention to the matter, which related to the failure on the part of the Government to produce certain correspondence regarding law reform for which he had moved in the month of September, 1884. Mr. De Salis moved the adjournment on the ground that the subject was one of "urgency," but, apparently, he was the only member who thought so, and, therefore, no one continued the discussion which he opened. The motion for adjournment having been negatived, an opportunity was at last afforded to Mr. Thornton for making his statement, which was to the effect that the Ministry had resigned, and simply held office until their successors had been appointed.

WE are requested to mention that it is particularly desired that members of the Legislative Council shall meet at half-past 4 o'clock this afternoon to receive a message from his Excellency the Governor regarding his assumption of office. It is intended to propose an address in reply, and after it has been adopted to proceed to Government House with it.

NOTHING was done last night towards the formation of a new Government. Sir John Robertson remained in town, but up to a late hour he had not received any communication from his Excellency the Governor. His Excellency was waited upon by Mr. Dibbs in the early part of the afternoon, and received the resignation of Mr. Dibbs and his colleagues; but nothing further took place. There was, in fact, very little time at the Governor's disposal to do anything, seeing that he had to attend the presentation of prizes at the Sydney Grammar School at 4 o'clock. Steps will probably be taken this morning towards the formation of a new Ministry, and it is generally understood that Sir John Robertson will be sent for and entrusted with the task of forming an Administration. The hon. gentleman's task will be a somewhat difficult one, for there are many members on the Opposition side of the House who expect office. Among those who are generally regarded as the ones who have just claims to be considered when the portfolios are being distributed are Sir Henry Parkes, Mr. J. F. Burns, Mr. F. B. Suttor, Mr. Garvan, Mr. W. J. Foster, and, to some extent, Mr. Fletcher. Mr. Foster, it is thought, may look forward to the Attorney-Generalship, as it is said Mr. Wisdom has no wish to hold office in the new Government. The resignation of Mr. Dibbs and his colleagues was decided at a Cabinet meeting held yesterday morning. No agreement upon the subject was arrived at the previous night, and all the members of the Cabinet were not present when the matter was under discussion yesterday. Mr. Want was away, and it is said Mr. Slattery also; and Mr. Abbott was sitting at the Lands Office hearing appeal cases. He was sent for twice, the second message conveying the reason why his attendance at the Cabinet was required, and when he joined his colleagues it was with great satisfaction that he added his voice and vote to the general decision.

A SUPPLEMENT to the *Gazette*, published yesterday, contained a number of despatches and correspondence concerning the Soudan campaign. They relate chiefly to the part taken by the New South Wales contingent in the military operations, and to special services rendered by certain of the officers and men. The regulations concerning the medals for the campaign are also given. The despatches will be found elsewhere.

THE funeral obsequies of the late Sir Peter Scratchley took place at Melbourne yesterday, and were of an imposing character. The remains were interred in the St. Kilda Cemetery; but it is probable that the body will ultimately be conveyed to England.

AT the dinner to be given to his Excellency the Governor on Tuesday evening, the 22nd instant, by the members of the Union Club, it has been decided that there should be no speeches, as Lord Carrington is desirous that his first words of thanks to the citizens of Sydney for their most cordial and generous reception should be spoken at the banquet to be given by his Worship the Mayor to his Excellency on Wednesday, the 23rd instant.

SIR P. A. JENNINGS was engaged for some time yesterday in drafting a bill to eradicate the phylloxera which it is believed exists in some of the vineyards in the Camden district. The clauses of the bill will provide for the entry into infected vineyards for the eradication of the phylloxera, and for the assessment of damages which may be claimed by the owners of the vineyards. As the Government have resigned, the bill must be left to be dealt with by their successors.

WITH reference to our cable message which states that New South Wales is supporting the proposed appointment of the Hon. John Douglas, of Queensland, as High Commissioner of New Guinea, we understand that the Government of this colony has taken the action mentioned at the instance of the Government of Queensland, and because they think the Hon. John Douglas the best man for the position.

A TELEGRAM received by the Hon. W. J. Lyne represents the discharge of the Rivers Cataract and Nepean yesterday as 63,000,000 gallons.

A SUPPLEMENT to the *Government Gazette* issued yesterday states that his Excellency the Governor has, with the advice of the Executive Council, in her Majesty's name, summoned the Hon. Sir Alfred Stephen, G.C.M.G., C.B., of Sydney, to the Legislative Council by writ of summons under the Great Seal of the colony.

OUR Berlin correspondent (whose letter appears in another column) gives some interesting details of Prince Bismarck's acquaintance with Prince Alexander of Bulgaria. It is said that the latter sought the advice of the Chancellor before he accepted the Bulgarian Crown. The recent action of Alexander, however, appears not to have met with the approbation of Bismarck. A sketch of the careers of Count Munster, and his successor as German Ambassador at the Court of St. James', Count Hatzfeld, is contained in our correspondent's letter.

THE railway from Orange to Molong will be so far completed by the 21st instant that it will be ready on that date to be handed over to the Government. It has not yet been decided when the line will be opened for traffic, but the opening will probably take place on or about the date mentioned.

THE Health Officer (Dr. MacLaurin) had a long interview yesterday with the Colonial Secretary (Sir Patrick Jennings) on the subject of the precautions it is considered necessary to take against the introduction here of cholera from Queensland. Some of the measures which Dr. MacLaurin proposes to adopt in dealing with the disease if it should unfortunately be brought here it is considered should not be made public, but we are informed that the preparations of the Health Officer, either to prevent the introduction of the disease here or to cope with it successfully should it unfortunately be brought here—and this is not improbable—are very complete. From a telegram which appears elsewhere it will be seen that several other cases of cholera, one of which has proved fatal, have occurred amongst the Dorunda's passengers.

ON the 9th instant the first of the cheap farmers' trains, introduced by the Hon. W. J. Lyne, Minister for Works, ran on the different lines of railway, and from returns just received by the Minister the pecuniary result appeared to be very satisfactory. The western train carried 380 passengers, and the earnings per train mile amounted to 11s., as compared with a little more than 6s., which represents the earnings from the ordinary passenger traffic throughout the year. The train from the south carried 500 passengers, and the earnings calculated in relation to the line between Albury and Sydney alone were 18s., but when taking into consideration the Hay and Jerilderie branch lines, the amount is reduced to 16s. 6½d. per mile, as against the rate of rather more than 6s. for the ordinary passenger traffic. The returns with reference to the train on the Great Northern line have not been received. The tickets by these farmers' trains are available for seven or 10 days, and the passengers may return to their homes by any ordinary train. So long as the trains pay they will, according to the present arrangement, run monthly. If it should be found that monthly trains are not remunerative, the proposal is that they should run quarterly. So far they are considered to have paid very well, and certainly a great deal better than trains of a similar kind in Victoria.

THE following notification appears in the *Government Gazette*:—"A telegram has been received from the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, through the Deputy Governor of South Australia, regarding an offer of the Secretary of State for War of commissions in the Royal Engineers to graduates of Australian and New Zealand universities:—Secretary of State for War offers commissions in Royal Engineers, graduates Australian and New Zealand universities, not more than 22 years of age on 1st July last; good height and build; medically fit for Governor to submit names as physically, morally, and mentally qualified, in relative order of merit, from each University. Not more than one from each colony will be selected."

YESTERDAY afternoon the hall of the Sydney Grammar School was crowded, the occasion being Commemoration Day, when the prizes won in the examinations were presented by His Excellency Lord Carrington, and the gold champion medal was presented by the Hon. Lady Carrington to the fortunate winner. His Honor Mr. Justice Windeyer presided, and addressed the assemblage, addresses being also delivered by Mr. A. B. Walgall, B.A., the head master, and his Excellency. The proceedings were enthusiastic, concluding with cheers for the Queen, the Governor, and Lady Carrington.

THE Hon. Lady Carrington will open a bazaar at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the Town Hall. The bazaar has been arranged by the parishioners of Christ Church St. Leonards, and St. John's, Milson's Point, and the proceeds are intended to relieve the debts upon these two places of worship. Lady Carrington will be received by the Mayor of Sydney and Dr. Barry, the Primate of Australasia.

ACCORDING to the amended railway time table, approved by the Executive Council on Tuesday, the daily train from Hay will start half-an-hour earlier than usual, and by making up a little time on the road, it will, in running on to Albury the same night, arrive there at 15 minutes past 11, and before the express train leaves for Sydney, instead of at five minutes past 1 o'clock a.m. as at present. This will enable passengers from Hay to reach Albury at something like a reasonable hour. Another alteration in the train arrangements on the railways is the running of two additional trains on the Illawarra line.

THE annual meeting of members of the Agricultural Society of New South Wales was held yesterday afternoon, at Tattersall's chambers, Hunter-street. There was a rather large attendance. The annual report and balance-sheet were adopted: the latter document showing that there was at present a credit balance of £31 18s. 10d. A lengthened discussion ensued upon various matters, prior to the balloting for office-bearers. A statement which had been prepared by Mr. G. N. Griffiths, showed that since the year 1881 the society had expended, for various purposes, no less a sum than £24,813 5s. 6d.

WITH regard to the buying up of seats for Friday evening at the Theatre Royal, Messrs. Williamson, Garner, and Musgrove make the following statement:—"On Monday morning early we were notified that his Excellency the Governor would honour our theatre with his presence on Friday evening next. Our Mr. Musgrove, with our treasurer, immediately left the theatre to make arrangements for having the building suitably decorated for the reception of the vice-regal party; on their return they were informed by our box-office keeper that some person had, during their absence, bought all the seats that remained unsold for that evening. We can assure you we were more annoyed than any intending visitor could possibly be, but we were powerless in the matter, and we fail to see in any way that we are to blame, having nothing to gain and much to lose by the transaction." Mr. John Bennett, who purchased the seats, writes as follows:—"Sir,—As an complimentary allusion has been made to the lessees of the Theatre Royal (Messrs. Williamson, Garner, and Musgrove) and to Messrs. Nicholson and Co., over the increase of prices of dress circle seats for the command night—from 5s. to £1—I deem it only just to those gentlemen that I should state that I bought up the seats, and am now selling them through Messrs. Nicholson and Co., and that all blame, if any (which I deny), attaches to me in the matter, in simply introducing the custom of Paris, London, and America into Sydney. — Yours, &c., JOHN BENNETT."

IT is notified by advertisement that first-class tourist tickets, available for the Tasmanian railways for two months from the date of issue, are now procurable in Tasmania, and also at the offices of the Tasmanian Steam Navigation Company, and of Messrs. W. Howard Smith and Sons, Melbourne and Sydney. These tickets, price £6, will be issued until the 1st March, 1886; but will not be available after the 31st March.

THE widow of the late Thomas Bradshaw, who met with his death at the General Post Office, received the following telegram from his Excellency and Lady Carrington yesterday morning:—"His Excellency and Lady Carrington desire to express their warmest sympathy with you in your terrible affliction."

THE Committee of Elections and Qualifications met yesterday to further consider the petition of Mr. J. A. Mackinnon against the return of Mr. W. J. Watson as member for the electorate of Young. The committee concluded their scrutiny of the ballot papers and adjourned until Tuesday next, when the petitioner will have the opportunity of producing any additional evidence he may desire; and Mr. Watson, if he thinks fit, may produce evidence in reply. It is expected that the decision will be arrived at by the committee on Tuesday.

AT the conclusion of the evidence at the inquest on the unfortunate man, Thomas Bradshaw, who was killed through falling from the Post-office tower, the jury, through their foreman, expressed the opinion that, in view of the great danger risked by the public who used the thoroughfare running in front of the Post-office between George and Pitt streets, during the time the scaffolding was being taken down, the authorities should cause the thoroughfare to be closed to the public.

THE Very Rev. the Dean intends to leave on a visit to England, at the beginning of the year, and will be absent for about 12 months. It is eight years since Dean Cowper last visited the old country.

THE Primate has issued writs for the election of representatives to Synod; the term, three years, for which the last Synod was elected, having expired. It was announced by the incumbent of St. James's, on Sunday last, that in consequence of a "message" received from the Bishop a meeting for this purpose will be held on Thursday evening next. Nominators to vacant cures should also be elected at this meeting.

A MEETING of seatholders of St. John's, Darlinghurst, Church of England, was held in the schoolroom last evening. The incumbent, the Rev. A. W. Pain, B.A., occupied the chair. The business of the evening was to elect representatives to attend the next Synod. Messrs. H. E. A. Allan and R. Hills were chosen. Three nominators for the purpose of selecting an incumbent, in the event of a vacancy occurring, were also selected, in the persons of Dr. Kyngdon, and Messrs. Allan and W. Docker.

THE following lay representatives have been elected to the Seventh Synod of the Diocese of Sydney for the united parishes of Mulgoa, Greendale, and Luddenham:—The Hon. G. H. Cox, M.L.C., and Mr. Robert C. Riley.

IN the Banco Court yesterday, in which his Honor the Chief Justice presided, the jury in the case of Howell v. Carne returned a verdict for the plaintiff, with £1300 damages, allowing £400 to the widow, and £100 to each of the nine children. In the next case, Queen v. Cooper, a special jury of 12 was empannelled. The plaintiff proceeds on a writ of intrusion in respect to a strip of land on the north side of Gardener's-road, Botany, two miles long by eight chains wide. The defence is that the land was granted by the Crown so far back as 1823 to other grantees, against whom the defendant set up a possessory title, having fenced in the land up to the road so far back as 1859. The Crown called evidence to show that the grantees alluded to had their field lines and more than their acreage on the other side of the road. Counsel will address the jury to-day. In the Jury Court, before his Honor Mr. Justice Faucett, the whole day was occupied with the case of Jones v. Hill. Mr. Pilcher, for the defendant, had not finished his address when the Court rose. At the Special Court at Darlinghurst before his Honor Mr. Justice Innes, a verdict for the plaintiff, with £360 damages, was given in Toon v. the South Coast and West Camden Co-operative Company. In Welton v. Pond and another, which was undefended, a verdict was returned for the plaintiff, the official liquidator of the Oriental Bank. In Blake v. Mead and another, the jury also found for the plaintiff, with £105 damages. In the Equity Court, before his Honor the Primary Judge, the case of Price v. Frazer, which was mentioned last week as settled, was again mentioned, and it being understood that the terms of the settlement were not agreed upon, his Honor said the suit would have to go on. In Murphy and wife v. Nathan his Honor decided in the plaintiffs' favour.

A MEETING of the members of convocation of St. John's College was held yesterday afternoon for the purpose of electing one clerical and two lay fellows of convocation. The president (the Very Rev. D. F. Barry) occupied the chair, and the following gentlemen were present:—The Very Rev. Dr. Sheridan, V.G., the Very Rev. Dean M'Carthy, Mr. F. B. Freehill, and Mr. W. Edmunds. The Very Rev. J. Dunn, V.F., Albury, was nominated as a clerical fellow by Mr. Freehill, seconded by the Very Rev. Dean M'Carthy, and unanimously elected. Two gentlemen were proposed as lay fellows, viz., Mr. Henry Austin, nominated by the Very Rev. Dr. Sheridan, and seconded by Mr. Freehill; and Mr. J. L. Mullins, nominated by Mr. Edmunds, and seconded by the Very Rev. Dean M'Carthy. The nominees were elected as fellows of the convocation. The meeting then terminated.

THE Telegraphic Department has received advices from Adelaide to the effect that the Hongkong cable has been repaired, and that the Tavoy route to Bangkok has been interrupted beyond Rangoon.

YESTERDAY was peculiarly a day of rejoicing with a large portion of the company of H.M.S. Opal, for it witnessed the successful carrying out of a novel pleasure excursion organised by Captain A. T. Brooke. The gallant officer is especially a favourite with the men under his command, and yesterday's proceedings cannot but add to his popularity. The captain conceived the idea of allowing his crew an opportunity of seeing some of the Blue Mountain scenery, and by the generosity of the Government in granting a special train for the purpose, was enabled to give effect to this desire. The train was freighted by about 150 men-of-war's men, who were accompanied by the band, and whose enjoyment was provided for by Captain Brooke and Lieutenants Moore and Rosch. Mr. J. S. Shearston was present as a guest. The destination of the train was Wentworth Falls, and the stoppage made there was sufficiently long to enable an impromptu programme of sports to be carried out with much spirit. On the company returning to the Redfern station last evening cheers were given for the Government, and a similar compliment was paid Captain Brooke, and in honor of that gentleman the band played "For he's a jolly good fellow."

A FESTIVAL of a somewhat unusual nature was held at the York-street Wesleyan Church last evening, and was participated in by a number of blue jackets, marines, and members of the Permanent and Volunteer Forces. The church had been specially decorated for the occasion. A Royal standard enveloped the greater part of the pulpit, and a line of flags—prominent amongst which were the red ensign and the stars and stripes—was stretched around the front of the gallery. The proceedings commenced with the serving of refreshments, and included the singing of solos and sacred songs (selected from Sankey's collection), and the delivery of addresses. The chair was occupied by the Rev. Samuel Wilkinson (military chaplain), and amongst those who occupied seats near him were Captain Taylor, of H.M.C.S. Wolverene; Commander Sir Heir R.N.; Mr. John Walker, chief engineer of the Wolverene; Mr. J. S. Shearston, Revs. Dr. Kolynack, W. Moore, W. G. Taylor, J. Woodhouse, and E. A. Corner, and Mr. George Wallace. Before the close of the proceedings an excellent collection of artistically designed and tastefully executed Australian Christmas cards, generously presented by Messrs. Gibbs, Shallard, and Co., was distributed amongst the military portion of the audience, and this part of the programme was followed by the singing of "Rule Britannia" and of a stanza of the National Anthem. Before the gathering broke up a representative of the soldiers, and another on behalf of the sailors, testified to the pleasure they had derived, and tendered their gratitude to the promoters of the entertainment.

THE Rev. C. H. Gibson, M.A., late curate of St. Andrew's Cathedral, was inducted to the incumbency of St. Paul's, Castle Hill, on Saturday last. In the absence of the Primate, the Rural Dean of Parramatta (the Rev. L. J. Gunther, M.A.) was authorised to conduct the induction service according to the prescribed form. At the close of it he preached an appropriate sermon on "The love of Christ, and the relative duties of the clergy and laity." Much interest appeared to be taken in the proceedings, and the appointment gives much satisfaction to the people of the parish.

A MEETING of the executive committee of the Wesleyan Church Sustentation and Extension Society was held in the committee room, Book Depot, George-street, last week. In addition to the president of the conference, who occupied the chair, there were eight other ministerial and six lay members present. The minutes of the previous meeting having been confirmed, the president notified the acquisition of two new church sites in his circuit—one at Kogarah and another at West Botany; this last was the gift of Mr. Foulkes. Each site was in a good position, and of a sufficient area. The plans and specifications of the following new churches were examined, and with a few minor alterations approved, viz., a brick church at Kogarah, in the Newtown circuit, in the Gothic style, and at an estimated cost of £560, exclusive of cost of site; a brick church at West Botany, in the Newtown circuit, at an estimated cost of £350; and a weatherboard church at Ulmarra, on the Clarence River, at an estimated cost of £200. Permission was granted for the erection of these churches on condition that the respective sites be legally secured to the church before the buildings are commenced; and in the case of Ulmarra, that at least £100 be first raised in cash and good promises. The sale of the old parsonage at Terrara, in the Shoalhaven circuit, was sanctioned, the proceeds thereof to be appropriated to the building fund of the new parsonage at Nowra in the same circuit. Several matters of business relative to church property at Cootamundra, Dubbo, and Lithgow were, after discussion, entrusted to the secretary. The sub-committee re Wesleyan services at Manly had not been able to complete its work in time to present a report. The general secretary was instructed to visit Cooma, Bombala, and Bega early in January next. Letters of application for admission into the ministry from young men in England and Ireland were remitted to the conference. A sub-committee, comprising the president, the Revs. Messrs. Waterhouse and Lane, with Messrs. E. Vickery, B. James, and W. H. M'Clelland, was appointed to examine the schedules of circuits applying for grants in aid from the society, and to report thereon to the next meeting of the committee, which will be held on or about the 28th instant.

THE annual meeting of subscribers to the Home and Training School for Nurses for the Sick was held at the rooms, Phillip-street, yesterday. Sir Alfred Stephen presided. The annual report and balance-sheet were read, and were unanimously adopted, upon the motion of Mrs. Gurney, seconded by Mrs. Badham. The report, amongst other items, showed that during the year 296 cases of illness had been attended to in Sydney and throughout the colony; one case as far off as Bourke. The financial statement showed that the expenditure had been £1737 9s. 4d., as against receipts (including a credit balance of £68 5s. from 1884) amounting to £1866 17s. 6d., leaving a credit balance of £109 8s. 2d. The members of the general committee and of the sub-committee were unanimously re-elected, the sub-committee being accorded power to add to their number.

THE central committee of the Local Option League met at the Temperance Hall yesterday afternoon, Mr. H. French in the chair. A return of the number of public houses in each ward of the city was tabled. The number is 499. It was decided to hold the annual meeting on the 28th of January, 1886, and the hon. secretary was instructed to inform the members that their nominations for president, treasurer, and committeemen must be sent in not later than the 28th instant. The increased interest in the recent local option vote taken in the city, when seven out of the eight wards voted against any increase in the number of publichouses, was due, it was stated, to the energetic manner in which the various temperance organisations worked, and the committee felt indebted to them, and those friends of the people who laboured so loyally to bring about such a satisfactory result.

ON Tuesday evening, at the close of the business at the Petersham Council, a pleasing ceremony took place. The mayor, Mr. W. L. Davis, being made the recipient of a magnificent salver, and a necklace and locket for his sister, who has during the mayor's term of office acted as mayoress. Alderman Wheeler, the chairman of the return mayor's ball committee, in making the presentation paid a well-merited tribute of praise to the mayor for his generally good qualities, and, judging from the friendly feelings exhibited when the mayor rose to thank the committee and gentlemen present, Mr. Davis has clearly made friends of everyone.

AT about 20 minutes past 11 yesterday morning, Senior-constable Forbes, and Constable Nutley, conveyed a man named William Davis from his lodgings at 16, Rowe-street, Sydney, to the Sydney Hospital, where he was attended by Dr. Westrum, who found him to be suffering from a gash in his throat about 4 inches long, the windpipe being cut through. Joseph Malley, who occupied an adjoining room, heard screams, and on going into Davis' room found him lying on a stretcher. Davis, who is about 60 years of age, was a news-vendor and had been about two years in the colony. He has a son residing at North Willoughby.

A BAZAAR, to remove the debt on St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday-school, Parramatta, was opened in the schoolroom yesterday afternoon. There was a most attractive display of articles likely to meet with ready sale, and the hall was very prettily decorated. The gate was fairly well patronised during the afternoon, and it was anticipated that the attendance would increase in the evening. The bazaar will remain open several days.

A SOCIAL gathering was held at Rookwood on Tuesday evening to celebrate the anniversary of St. Stephen's Anglican Church. There was a large attendance, and everything passed off most pleasantly and satisfactorily. Mr. P. R. Holdsworth presided at the after-meeting, at which addresses were delivered by the Revs. J. D. Langley and E. A. Colvin, incumbent of the parish. The latter showed that the parish was prospering in every respect. An apology was announced during the evening for the Rev. W. A. Phillips, of Granville, who was formerly in charge of the district. A number of vocal and instrumental selections were pleasantly rendered, and a very enjoyable evening was brought to a conclusion by singing God Save the Queen.

AT a late hour on the night of the 15th instant a boy, who gives his name as Robert Long, was found wandering in George-street. He was taken to No. 1 police station, where he was detained, to see if anyone would claim him. Up to a late hour last night the little fellow had not been inquired for. He is about three years of age, has dark brown hair, freckled complexion, and is dressed in a dirty brown knickerbocker suit, trimmed with black braid. He has a black soft felt hat, with the word "Temeraire" on a blue ribbon, encircling the same. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of the parents or friends of the child are requested to communicate with the police at No. 1 station.

A NICE point was submitted to the Speaker in the Legislative Assembly of Victoria on Thursday last by Mr. Carter on the Electoral Bill. Shortly stated (says the *Argus*) the position was this: A burden cannot be imposed on the people unless on a message from the Crown. Members are to be paid £300 a-year until the close of the first session of next Parliament. The bill provides for an increase of 10 members, who are to be paid, therefore an extra burden is imposed on the people. As the bill was not introduced by message from the Crown, it was informally before the House. The Speaker replied that if he could be shown any clause in the bill which appropriated money, he would declare it out of order. Colonel Smith, who was with Mr. Carter in the matter, argued that the bill on the face of it involved an expenditure of public money, to which Mr. Barry replied that the bill could not be said to impose a burden, because if the Payment of Members Act were repealed before the close of the session there would be no appropriation at all. Each measure must stand by itself. The Speaker could not be persuaded that the bill was informally before the House, and by ruling against Mr. Carter allowed the debate on the second reading to proceed.

MR. SHADELL, M.L.A. of Victoria, is not alone in his desire to raise revenue from bachelors; nor is he original in the idea. Mr. Burleigh, the special correspondent who came as well to the front during the Soudan campaign, having entered the field of British politics, has made a bold bid for the female influence among the constituency he wishes to represent in the new Parliament. Should he be elected, he has promised to bring in "a tax upon bachelors." In alluding to the proposed levy, *Truth* of November 5 observes:—"Such a tax would not be altogether new, as a hundred years ago (June 9, 1785) Mr. Pitt, who was then Chancellor of the Exchequer, proposed, along with other imposts, 'that unmarried men should pay a double tax upon menservants, together with some addition, in proportion to the number of their female domestics.' That became law, taking shape as follows: 'All men who are housekeepers and have never been married, to pay an addition of £1 5s. for each male servant.'"

ONE of the main reasons given at the late meeting of the Australasian Frozen Meat Export Company of Melbourne for the non-success of their operations, and the consequent necessity that existed for winding-up, was (says the *Age*) that the "butchers' ring" influenced the wholesale market in England to such a degree that the company could not realise for the carcases they sent home half the price at which the meat was sold retail. On the same subject we find in the London *Spectator* of the 24th October the following reference to a speech delivered by Mr. Goschen during the recent election campaign:—"Mr. Goschen made one very weighty remark on the depression of trade. He said that in some departments of trade the producers are suffering by very low prices, without the public getting the advantage of the stimulus which great cheapness in the staple articles of trade always gives. Thus he knew a case in which 15,000 carcases of Australian sheep had been sold in the London market at 4d. per lb.,

while the Church cannot accept a kind of lay dictatorship against which the Vatican and the Episcopate have repeatedly protested. It will be curious to see whether, notwithstanding the disapproval of the Royalist leaders, M. de Mun will succeed in forming a party which would virtually be the revival of Legitimacy. Legitimacy, with its white flag, was supposed to have disappeared with the Comte de Chambord; and certainly since his death it had given no sign of life. But if the supremacy of the Church is to be put forward in lieu of the divine right of kings, there will, as before, be three reactionary parties—namely, Bonapartists, Royalists, and Catholics. In that case the Reactionary minority in the Chamber will be as divided and powerless as was the Reactionary majority in the Assembly of 1871.

THE vexed question of the Tasmanian Reciprocity Treaty with Victoria still exercises the Hobart press. The *Mercury* says:—"We hear that the treaty is again to be discussed, and possibly to be divided upon in the Victorian Assembly. We must say that the whole business strikes us as rather comical, and something of which the Victorian Ministry has no reason to be proud. What is the use of discussing and dividing now? The Ministry knew a month or more ago that unless the treaty was passed at once through the Parliament of that colony there was not the least chance of its becoming law during the present year, and yet it allowed the thing to hang fire, and now makes a pretence of getting it done in earnest. The whole arrangement, for that is what it is, is a sham. The Victorian Ministry never had any heart in the business, though the Premier still professes, we believe, to be a free-trader, and is, beyond question, anxious for some sort of union of the colonies. The strong necessities of the time have, however, coerced him and his colleagues, and the result is the virtual postponement of any decision till after the general election and the certain delay of a whole year."

THE Wagga correspondent of the *Sydney Mail* gave in the last issue of that paper an account of the death of thousands of sheep on pastures of the Murrumbidgee district. The cause of the mortality, the *Mail* says, "is unknown to the Murrumbidgee pastoralists; but our correspondent has forwarded a plant which is suspected to be injurious, the mystery is soon cleared. The plant is a true specimen of the Euphorbia Drummondii, which in the past has been the cause of many losses in this colony. Not long since it killed a large number of cattle near Quirindi. It is of the Spurgewort family, of which there are no fewer than 3000 species. Fortunately it does not often appear amid the grasses of this colony, but it frequently follows droughts. It grows in small tufts with slender tendrils, which spread along the ground for some inches. When dried it closely resembles sage." In the same issue of the *Mail* an illustration of the plant was given.

THE Agent-General of Victoria (says the *Age*) has forwarded to the Premier a state paper containing some interesting consular reports on commercial and other subjects. Mr. Murray Smith directs attention to two reports in particular; the first dealing with the proceedings of the commission appointed by the Washington Government with the view of reporting on the introduction and multiplication of useful fish throughout the United States. The Agent-General states that experiments in stocking the streams of the Pacific with the fish of the Atlantic possess special interest for Australia. Another interesting report deals with the consumption of spirits, wine, and beer in the United States. Within the last 40 years the consumption of spirits has nearly doubled itself, whilst that of wine has increased five-fold and beer twenty-fold. But within the same time the population of the Union has trebled itself, and the general result, therefore, appears to be that during these 40 years the consumption of spirits per head has decreased 40 per cent., but on the other hand that of wine has increased 60 per cent. and beer 642 per cent. "These figures," Mr. L. Sackville West says, "seem to argue the success of the temperance movement in the United States;" to which the Agent-General supplies the commentary, "I cannot, of course, concur in this conclusion." The statistics relating to the wine trade of the States are also very interesting. The wine industry of California has expanded in a marvellous manner. The quantity of wine produced in this State alone in 1880 amounted to 118,557,155 gallons, which is considerably more than half the total production of the Union.

THE China mail (says the Marseilles correspondent of the *Daily News*) brings interesting particulars concerning the Franco-Chinese war and its consequences. The health of the Expeditionary Corps has not improved. There are 3000 sick soldiers in the different hospitals. French graves at Tonkin, Formosa, and Matson lie thick. The mortality has been excessive among the French. The general losses amount to 15,000 men by wounds, disease, and climate, while the money losses are estimated at 70,000,000 taels, to be increased by 100,000,000 taels, as the cost of the necessary defences of the Annam and Tonkin forts, stockades, hospitals, military and naval engineering works, medical and scientific staff organisations, and the Chinese frontier line. Yunnan will be fortified next winter with haste. China's charges are far heavier. They amount to 150,000,000 taels for war materials, while 100,000 men have been slain by wounds or disease. In the meantime China is extremely embarrassed by Russian intrigues about the Corea and a formidable and widespread Mahommedan conspiracy in Kansu.

THE following is the order of musical service at St. Andrew's Cathedral this afternoon:—Magnificat, Goss in A; Nunc Dimittis, Goss in A.

IN our report of the proceedings in the Licensing Court yesterday, the word "cancellations" was erroneously used instead of "transfers," with regard to the transfer of licenses consequent on the change of sign from "Commercial" to "Enu," in the case of the hotel of Mary Jeffcott, and from "Exchange" to "Oat Cake" in that of J. H. Ferguson.

THE children of the Sydney Progressive Lyceum Sunday School will to-night give a benefit performance in aid of the funds of the school at West's Academy. The pieces have been three months in rehearsal, and are entitled "The Secret of Happiness" and "Silverwing, Queen of the Fairies," to conclude with the maypole dance. As this is an effort on the part of the children to recoup the funds of the institution, no doubt their adult friends will suitably recognise it.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PRINCE ALEXANDER INSISTS ON THE EVACUATION OF WIDDIN.

SOFIA, DEC. 15.

Prince Alexander, in reply to the announcement that the Porte was about to despatch an Envoy to Sofia, has declared that the despatch of any such commission was needless. He further insists that the Servian troops shall evacuate the district of Widdin, which they continue to hold.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT ADELAIDE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

A large fire occurred in Grenfell-street this evening in Coombes' timber yard, which, with Burford's soap factory and several cottages, was burnt down. The damage is estimated at £20,000. The fire started about half-past 5. A high wind prevailed for two hours after it started, and the flames spread with great rapidity, so much so that the fire brigades could do nothing against it. The fire is now (midnight) under control, but it is still burning. About 1500 barrels of rosin and a number of barrels of fat, situated in Burford's factory, melted, and flowed along the street like a river, reaching half-way across. The loss caused by the fire is not fully covered by insurance. The policies are chiefly in the South Australian Insurance Company.

UNEMPLOYED AGITATION IN NEW ZEALAND.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

AUCKLAND, WEDNESDAY.

The unemployed in Dunedin have prepared a petition to the Victorian Government, suggesting that arrangements should be made with the Union Steamship Company to convey them to that colony. They promise to refund the expense, and 57 of the men have signed a document to that effect.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

THE HIGH COMMISSIONERSHIP OF NEW GUINEA.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

It is understood that the Government of New South Wales is supporting the Queensland Government in urging the claims of the Hon. John Douglas to succeed the late Sir Peter Scratchley as High Commissioner of New Guinea. The Victorian and South Australian Governments remain neutral. The Agents-General of the colonies will meet Colonel Stanley, Secretary of State for the Colonies, on Thursday next, in order to consider the subject.

THE FIRM OF J. T. SIMES AND CO.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

There is some probability that the affairs in the estate of J. T. Simes and Co., woolbrokers, who recently suspended payment, may be arranged without going through the Bankruptcy Court. A general hope is expressed that the efforts which are being made in this direction will be successful.

THE NEW P. AND O. STEAMER BENGAL.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The new steamship Bengal, which has just been built for the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, made a trial trip yesterday, with satisfactory results. A speed of 15 knots was attained.

SILVER COINAGE SUSPENDED IN AMERICA.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

A bill has been passed through the Senate of the United States suspending the coinage of silver money.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

THE M.M.S. YARRA.

MARSEILLES, DEC. 15.

The Messageries Maritimes Company's steamship Yarra arrived here to-day, three days ahead of contract time.

COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

The market rate of discount is 3 per cent.

Tin: Straits and Australian, £94.

New South Wales 3½ per cent. inscribed stock, £95 5s.

New South Wales 4 per cent. inscribed stock, £105 5s., ex dividend.

Queensland 4 per cent. inscribed stock, £101 15s., ex dividend.

South Australian 4 per cent. inscribed stock, £103 5s.

New Zealand 10-40 inscribed stock, £104 5s.

New Zealand 4½ per cent. inscribed stock, £103 15s.

INTERCOLONIAL NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

His Excellency the Governor intends to pay a visit to South Gippsland. He leaves town on Saturday morning, spending the Sunday with the Hon. William Pearson, of Kilmany Park. He will be entertained at a banquet at Sale on Thursday, and he will return on that day to Melbourne.

Several members of the New South Wales University cricket team arrived here to-day, and are taking a rest till to-morrow morning. The whole team will be entertained at the Town Hall by the Mayor at 2 o'clock to-morrow. The match begins on Friday.

The University Council to-day discussed, in private, the question relative to providing the University professors with residences, and it was decided to erect four or more dwellings.

The Rev. Father Cubet, private secretary to Archbishop Goold, has sent a circular to the Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society, stating that the names of all candidates for admission to the society must be submitted to the local clergy for approval before nomination.

Sarah Williams was found guilty to-day of the murder of her child by throwing it into the river, and was recommended to mercy on account of her state of excitement at the time. Mr. Justice Williams passed sentence of death, but he said that it probably would not be carried out.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the National Mutual Life Association of Australasia was held to-day. The report stated that 4152 new policies had been issued during the year ending September 30, to the value of £1,092,277. The total sum paid in claims was £36,294, and after providing for all expenses and claims the sum of £92,116 7s. 6d. had been added to the funds. The total amount of the funds of the association at the close of the year was £480,938, and the annual income £187,063. The report was adopted, and the retiring directors were re-elected.

In the breadstuffs market to-day flour and wheat were slow of sale, the buyers of the latter holding back. Oats changed hands at 2s. 11½d. Sugars were in fair demand, but the buyers do not care to operate freely. There was a good inquiry for tea, though little actual business resulted.

The first shipment of general exhibits for the Colonial and Indian Exhibition will be made to-morrow in the Kaisar-i-Hind. All the timber and minerals, and most of the wines will be included in the shipment.

Arrived: Hamma, from Soderham. Sailed: Barrabool (s.), for Brisbane, via Sydney; Wentworth (s.), for Sydney.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

The police have information of the whereabouts of the defaulters Egremont, Wood, and G. A. Anderson. The last mentioned was leading clerk in the employ of Messrs. Stilling and Co. His defalcations are alleged to be very heavy.

The Minister of Education has received a telegram from the Northern Territory, stating that a public meeting had been held, at which a resolution was adopted urging the construction of the Palmerston and Pine Creek Railway without delay, and pointing out that the work should be carried out by the Government themselves.

The University Commemoration took place to-day. Several degrees were conferred, including the admission of the first lady graduate. Miss Edith Emily Dornwell, who received the degree of Bachelor of Science. Miss Dornwell was congratulated by the Chancellor, who presented her with a special prize. The South Australian scholar of 1885 was Mr. W. A. E. Tucker, on whom were conferred the degrees of LL.B. and B.A. The bust of the late Sir W. W. Hughes was unveiled by the Governor, who delivered an address.

A special meeting of the Masons and Bricklayers' Association held to night, voted the sum of £40 in aid of the bootmakers' strike. A telegram was read from the Stonemasons' Society of Sydney, intimating that the stonemasons employed at the Catholic College, Manly Beach, had struck work.

The heavy rains that have recently fallen between Orroroo and Eurelia have washed away the ballast on the railway, and the down passenger train was detained at Orroroo till 10 o'clock to-night.

The quotations in the breadstuffs market to-day were unchanged.

Arrived: Claymore, from Newcastle; Eveline, from Sydney. Sailed: Lake Eria, for Lyttelton; Guthrie (s.), for Melbourne.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, WEDNESDAY.

It is reported that the Government contemplate an early appeal to the country on their financial and public works scheme.

THE CHOLERA.

ANOTHER DEATH AT THE QUARANTINE STATION.

SEVERAL FRESH CASES.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

BRISBANE, WEDNESDAY.

A telegram from the quarantine station this morning reports one fresh case of cholera which has been removed to the hospital. There are also several fresh cases of diarrhœa. The other cases are doing fairly well. There are now five patients in the hospital.

The municipal authorities are displaying much activity in cleansing the city and improving its sanitary condition. Ten additional sub-inspectors of nuisances have been appointed, who will be solely engaged in examining yards and back premises in order to see that they are kept clean. Large quantities of disinfectants have been applied to the manholes of the drains and water tables, while the flushing and cleansing of the sewers are being carefully attended to.

It is understood that the Government, with the view of complying with the conditions imposed by the Sydney Board of Health on vessels arriving from Queensland, have appointed Dr. Usher to the position of assistant health officer of this port. It is probable that a proclamation will be issued to-morrow declaring Batavia an infected port, and quarantining all vessels arriving thence until granted pratique.

A later telegram from the quarantine station states that one of the patients, named John Blow, died at noon to-day, and another fresh case has been removed to the hospital. Five cases are now in the hospital, three of which are dangerous, and there are also five cases of simple diarrhœa. Saloon passengers, and the single men and women are all well. The people are very comfortable at the station, and there is no grumbling.

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

The Central Board of Health have recommended the declaration of Brisbane and Batavia as infected ports.

NEWCASTLE, WEDNESDAY.

Dr. R. Harris, the health officer at Newcastle, has received notice from the Government that all vessels arriving here from Queensland ports must be quarantined.

PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

In the Legislative Council this afternoon the Local Government Act Amendment Bill was passed through its remaining stages. The Appropriation Bill was read a second time, passed through committee, and reported. Colonel Sargood moved the second reading of the Electoral Act Amendment Bill, to give ten additional members to the Legislative Assembly. He stated that the Government would next session, if the House desired it, introduce a bill to increase the members of the Council. Mr. Cuthbert moved as an amendment that the bill be read a second time that day six months. He opposed the bill on the grounds that it would make the representation of the two Houses unequal; that it would entail additional expenditure on the country for the payment of members; that 86 members were sufficient for the Assembly; and that it was not a proper time to consider it so late in the session. After considerable discussion the amendment was carried by 20 votes to 10.

In the Legislative Assembly, Mr. Levien moved the second reading of a bill to deal with the disposal of sludge, but a stonewall was raised, and at 9 o'clock, when private business was called on, no progress had been made. The opposition to the measure arose because the Ballarat members who wanted the bill passed, had stonewalled the Electoral Bill, and were influencing the Legislative Council to throw out that bill. When it became known that the Electoral Bill had been rejected by the Council, an angry debate took place, on a motion by Mr. Gaunson, for the adjournment of the House. Several members said that the Council had no right whatever to interfere with a bill dealing with the Assembly constituencies. The motion for adjournment was agreed to, and the House adjourned at five minutes past 11 o'clock.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

CARCOAR, WEDNESDAY.

At Galley Swamp Messrs. Cohen and party have finished a crushing of a parcel of 17 tons of quartz at Rowe's Battery, yielding 41ozs. 11dwt. of gold. The ground is known as the "disputed claim," and the vein is about 300 feet in length averaging 10 inches in thickness.

Messrs. Rowe and party have just completed a crushing of 33 tons of stone for a yield of 42oz., at their own battery. The width of the reef averages 10 inches. The party have several shafts down on their lease which is intersected by four known veins of gold-bearing quartz from which they have already started raising stone.

Several new prospecting parties have lately started with favourable result. This gold yield is now looking better than ever. The late showers that have fallen here have given the batteries plenty of water.

At Mount M'Donald a new find is reported on the West Balmoral ground.

EMMAVILLE, WEDNESDAY.

Fresh applications continue to be made for silver land in the neighbourhood of Pye's Creek. Mining affairs are improving in this district, but the late rains interfere with the work.

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

Nymagee Copper Mining Company, limited, December 5.—Barton's Shaft: The west crosscut in the 86 fathom level has been extended 42 feet from shaft through a nice slaty strata, intermixed with small veins of sulphuret ore, and similar in appearance to the country passed through in crosscutting in the level above. I expect to intersect the lode this week, or in another 6 feet driving, and a fresh contract has been let. In the 69-fathom level the winze in section 14 has been sunk a further depth of 22 feet 6 inches, making in all 84 feet 6 inches below the level, and which is still in average percentage ore, and without any signs of either wall. Another 11 feet sinking will make it deep enough to communicate with the level below. The stope in section 14 continues to yield the same class of ore as previously reported. 600 tons have been obtained from this stope during the month. Fifty-two fathom level: Stoping is being carried on in this level as usual. All other underground works are without any change since my last. Smelting works: The No. 3 Calciner is nearing completion, and I hope to have it lit early in the new year, which will be of great assistance in keeping up the returns. The blast continues doing rapid work, and enables the two roasters to work up all the coarse regulus without any difficulty whatever. Ore raised for month, 1234 tons and smelted 1352 tons, producing equal to 140 tons of fine copper; 127 tons have been refined and 210 tons despatched.

The Sunny Corner Silver-mining Company, Limited, 12th December.—Five smelters have been in blast, and have reduced 615 tons of ore. Total value of bullion returned for week, £3387, exclusive of fine dust saved. During the Christmas holidays it is intended to shut down the Pacific furnaces for overhaul and repairs. The probert, which was recently repaired, will be kept running.

OVERLAND PASSENGER TRAFFIC.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

ALBURY, WEDNESDAY.

The following have passed through:—

For Sydney (on Tuesday by express): A. Church, D. Edwards, A. Robertson, J. D. Lamont, J. Stevenson, F. Turner, N. Trimble, G. W. Murtrie, F. R. C. Hopkins, Miss Docy Stewart, W. W. Wardell, Miss Anderson, Mr. Anderson, Mrs. Bell, Messrs. J. Chanter, M.L.A., M'Gregor, Brown, H. R. Carter, H. Bergman, Walker.

For Melbourne (by express on Wednesday): H. Short, W. Doyle, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Walsh, D. J. W. Lawson, J. Shane. J. O'Farrell. Mrs. Weston, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Robertson and family (6), Miss Goodhind, H. Dowd, Mrs. Dowd, J. Grey, W. J. Carlisle, Miss Ross, Mrs. J. C. Henderson, C. H. Nicoll, E. A. Marrenether, C. Majeroni, Miss Williams, Miss Bruce, V. A. Adams, Miss Curtis, V. Reid, John Reid, J. Wood, Miss L. Neill, Miss C. Neill, M. Neill, J. H. Kitchen, J. A. Kitchen, H. Benjamin, A. Lewis, Mr. Theobald, E. Slade, Rev. A. Gardiner, Mr. and Mrs. E. Fisher, J. B. Macarthur, Neil Shannon, J. W. Glenfield, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Trebeck, C. Dean, F. Moor, Barnard, King.

For Melbourne on Wednesday (by ordinary train): J. D. Reece, Mrs. Reece, Messrs. Tobinskie, Radden, Grindon, Mrs. Porter, Messrs. Needham, J. Brown, Jones, H. Pether, Turnbull, Sinclair, Connellan, Hannan, H. Shannessy, Mrs. Hall and child, Messrs. Ranson, J. W. Smith, Healy, Mrs. George Brew, E. W. Bathurst, Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Sharp, Miss Criniga, Miss Raymond, Mrs. C. Russell, Mr. and Miss Gore, Mrs. Keller, Mr. Shean, Mr. and Mrs. Gray, Mr. Offeon, Mr. Pearce, W. M. Walker.

For Sydney: J. Finnegan, C. Wiley, J. W. Laurence, Louis, Simmons.

FUNERAL OBSEQUIES OF THE LATE SIR PETER SCRATCHLEY.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The remains of the late Sir Peter Scratchley were interred in the St. Kilda Cemetery to-day with every mark of respect that could be paid to the memory of the deceased officer. Since the arrival of the steamer Governor Blackall the body lay in state at Critchill (his late residence), on the Brighton-road. The coffin lay in the drawing-room, which was draped with black and white, and dressed with English flags. A canopy overhung the coffin, which was covered with wreaths and crosses of immortelles and other white flowers, many of which were the gifts of the seamen and soldiers who had served under the deceased general's command. His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Mr. H. H. Romilly (Deputy High Commissioner for New Guinea), Captain Traill (private secretary), Lord Castlerosse (A.D.C.), and Captain Terry (representative of Lord Carrington, Governor of New South Wales) arrived at Critchill about 10 o'clock, and paid their respects to the memory of the deceased. The military arrangements provided for the representatives of the whole of the metropolitan defence force taking part. The funeral escort consisted of C battery of the Field Artillery Brigade, and the first and second battalions of the Victorian Rifles, under the command of Lieut.-Col. Templeton. "Following parties" consisting of an officer, a sergeant, and nine men from the Artillery; A and B batteries of the Field Artillery Brigade; and the North Melbourne and Williamstown Harbour Trust batteries of Garrison Artillery, also of the Torpedo Corps, Engineer Corps, and the University Company 4th battalion were also present. All the officers were in full-dress uniform, and wore crape on the left arm. The bands of the 1st and 2nd battalions of the Rifles were in the rear. In the centre of the escort the coffin was borne on a gun-carriage drawn by four black horses, bearing the trappings of mourning. The coffin was covered with the Union Jack, surmounted with the sword and cocked hat of the deceased. Beside the gun-carriage walked, as pall-bearers, Colonel Roberts (Acting-Commandant of the New South Wales forces), Mr. G. S. Foyt (the late Sir Peter Scratchley's private secretary), Colonel French (Queensland), Captain Lyster (Queensland), Major-General Downes, and Mr. J. C. Tyler. The body guard of the late Sir Peter Scratchley came next in order, dressed in white naval uniforms with blue facings; then followed the mourning-coaches containing Lady Scratchley, and the relatives of the family. With Lady Scratchley were her two daughters, her brother, and several sisters. The carriages of his Excellency the Governor and suite, already enumerated, were next to the mourning coaches, among whom were Colonels Bingham and Raymond, Major Penrose, Major M'Kenzie, and Surgeon-Major Williams, New South Wales; Sir W. J. Clarke, New Zealand; Major Sutherland, Western Australia; Colonel French, Queensland; Brigadier-General Owen, Captain Mitchell, Lieutenant Owen, and Mr. Justice Boucaut, South Australia; and Hon. W. Burgess (Tasmania). Behind them walked the Knights and Companions of the Order of St. Michael and St. George, viz.:—Sir Archibald Michie, K.C.M.G.; Baron von Mueller, K.C.M.G.; Mr. Cosmo Newbery, C.M.G.; and Mr. Haytar, C.M.G. There also followed the officers and crew of the steamer Governor Blackall, the officers not on duty on foot, the Head-Quarters staff mounted, and included Colonel Disney, Lieut.-colonel Brownrigg, Colonel Mather, Major Fellows, Major Rhodes, and Surgeon Major Fulton. Among the gentleman whose carriages formed the procession were the Premier, the Chief Secretary, the Postmaster-General, the Minister of Defence, a number of consuls, the Chief Commissioner of Police, Mr. Justice Higinbotham, Judge Nolan, the Mayors and councillors of Melbourne and the suburbs, Mr. C. C. Bowzer Smith (representing the officers of the New South Wales Roads Department), and a large number of private persons. The procession moved to All Saints' Church, East St. Kilda, the route being lined by a throng of onlookers. The body was taken into the church, where the Dean of Melbourne conducted the funeral service. The cortège then reformed, and proceeded to the cemetery, where the burial service was conducted also by the Dean, Helmore's choral service being rendered by the choir of All Saints' Church. At the conclusion of the burial service, the artillery fired a salute of 17 guns.

The grave is near that of the late Colonel Anderson, in accordance with the wish of Lady Scratchley. The coffin lies in a small vault, and the last flowers placed upon it were some beautiful wreaths brought by Lady Scratchley and her daughters. It is probable that ultimately the body will be conveyed to England.

INTERCOLONIAL LEGAL RECIPROCITY.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

For some time past there has been a correspondence carried on between the Judges of the Supreme Court of New South Wales and the Judges of the Supreme Court of Victoria with reference to the admission as attorneys and solicitors in one Court of gentlemen who have been admitted as attorneys and solicitors in the other Court. The Supreme Court of New South Wales has adopted a declaration that the standard of qualification for admission as a solicitor in Victoria was substantially equal to that of New South Wales, and a corresponding declaration was adopted by the Judges of the Supreme Court of Victoria. In reference to the New South Wales qualification, on the 2nd of December last, Mr. Justice Molesworth, Acting Chief Justice of Victoria, addressed to Sir James Martin, the Chief Justice of New South Wales, the following letter:—

"I have the honour of addressing you on the subject of the reciprocal admission of solicitors of New South Wales and Victoria respectively each in the Courts of the other. I enclose a declaration of the Supreme Court of Victoria, similar to one of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, which has been forwarded to us. As to the standard of qualification of solicitors of the two Courts being equal, we understand now that there is to be an agreement between the two Courts for the admission by each of the solicitors of the other originally admitted to the other, and await for its completion the honour of a letter from you to me, stating that your Court adopt it."

Sir James Martin replied on the 7th December as follows:—

"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, enclosing a declaration of the Supreme Court of Victoria as to the standard of qualification of solicitors of the Courts of Victoria and New South Wales being equal. I beg to state in reply that our Court adopts the agreement to which you refer, and thus makes the second subsection of the third of the rules of the Court of this colony, relating to the admission of attorneys, apply to the admission in this colony of attorneys of Victoria. I enclose copy of these rules. The rule of the Supreme Court of New South Wales relating to the admission of attorneys is, so far as it is relevant, as follows:—(1) 'The following persons only shall be eligible to be admitted as solicitors of the Court. (2) The attorneys, solicitors, and proctors (having actually resided in this colony for the precedent three months) of any of the other Australasian colonies of Great Britain, wherein a standard of qualification substantially equal to that of this colony shall, in the opinion of the Judges of this Court, have been adopted and acted on, and wherein corresponding eligibility for the admission of the practitioners of the Court, to the Courts of such colonies shall have been established."

CHOLERA, TYPHOID, AND DIRT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I see that energetic measures are being taken in Brisbane to minimise the risk, should cholera obtain a footing in that colony, by thoroughly cleansing that city and suburbs under a house-to-house visitation.

Would it not be well that similar steps were adopted in Sydney and the suburbs, as the same risk, to a certain extent, exists with regard to all the colonies, and especially as in this colony we are now suffering from the prevalence of typhoid.

Writing as a resident of one of the suburbs, I regret that I can from personal experience state that the smells and stinks from the gutters are in many parts of the municipality exceedingly strong, and call loudly for increased care and cleanliness.

While on the subject, I would strongly protest against the absurd and dangerous system which prevails in our municipality of allowing owners to bridge the gutters leading into their yards, which, more especially at the back of their premises, act in very many cases as dams for slush and filth, and must be breeding-grounds for germs of disease, while they make the scavengers' work twice as tedious and expensive as it ought to be if the gutters are properly cleansed. These bridges should be swept away at once, and their erection prohibited bylaw.

Dec. 16. I am, &c., SCRUTATOR.

COUNTRY NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

ALBURY, WEDNESDAY.

The Albury Volunteer Reserve Corps has been inspected by Captain Bailey, Adjutant of the Southern Reserves. The two companies were exercised in company and battalion drill, the various movements being executed very creditably. Captain Bailey complimented the men on their efficiency, and passed both companies into the ranks.

BRAIDWOOD, WEDNESDAY.

At the Quarter Sessions held here there was only one case on the sheet, and it was discharged.

The weather here is very warm.

CARCOAR, WEDNESDAY.

Light showers, lasting but a short time, have fallen here during the last few evenings, mostly accompanied by thunderstorms. The weather to-day was warm. The grass is springing up well in this district.

COBAR, WEDNESDAY.

Yesterday a man was found dead in the bush about two miles from Dominick's Hotel, Sandy Creek, on the Wilcannia-road. He had evidently been drinking, and had wandered into the bush. No coroner has been appointed for this district in succession to Mr. Brough. This matter demands immediate attention.

The weather here is warm.

COONAMBLE, WEDNESDAY.

Several fine showers of rain have fallen in this district during the past ten days. A thunderstorm occurs almost daily. Very little rain has fallen at Coonamble, not half-an-inch in all. Gulargambone, Gilgandra, and Baradine had over an inch at each place.

EMMAVILLE, WEDNESDAY.

Rain has fallen here at intervals during the past week, and the weather is now showery. Over two and a half inches of rain have been registered since the beginning of the present month.

GRAFTON, WEDNESDAY.

The weather here is showery, but on the Upper River the rain has been much heavier. The small gullies and creeks are all running, making a rise of a few feet on the river above Copmanhurst.

LISMORE, WEDNESDAY.

During the past 24 hours 134 points of rain have fallen here. This downpour will be very beneficial to the crops and the country generally. The weather now is warm and cloudy.

NEWCASTLE, WEDNESDAY.

The weekly coal export is 28,826 tons.

At Wallsend yesterday, the new gasworks were formally handed over to the Gas Company by Mr. Tindale, engineer. Experiments made by lighting up the Post and Telegraph office were highly successful.

The technical classes in the district are being examined by the Local Board. On Monday 27 students were examined at the School of Arts in mechanical drawing and geometry.

The Government have decided to lay the whole of the reticulation pipes in all towns in connection with the Hunter River water supply except Newcastle.

The weather here is extremely close, and there are now evident signs of a change.

PARKES, WEDNESDAY.

The weather here continues dry and hot. A very heavy clap of thunder occurred yesterday evening, and the lightning struck a fence; but no further damage was done.

PORT MACQUARIE, WEDNESDAY.

Heavy rain fell here again last night, and light showers have fallen since Monday. The weather now is beautifully fine. Already a spring is noticeable in the vegetation. About seven inches of rain fell here since Saturday morning, and by the timely downpour the district has been saved from ruin.

The committee of the Agricultural Society are now busy preparing for the next show, to be held in February.

QUEANBEYAN, WEDNESDAY.

A man named John Harris met his death on the railway line, 10 miles from Queanbeyan, on Monday last, through a quantity of earth and stone from the side of a cutting falling on him. Yesterday a navvy named James Clarke narrowly escaped death through a bank of earth and stone falling, crushing him severely about the body and fracturing his leg.

WAGGA WAGGA, WEDNESDAY.

A light rain commenced to fall here this evening.

On Monday last a little girl about four years of age, daughter of Mr. M. Macnamara, of Tumut, coming hurriedly to the door of the upper story room, fell down a distance of about 14 feet to the brick pavement below. Singular to state, the only injury the little one received was to her tongue, which she bit in falling.

The *Queanbeyan Age* reports that Senior-sergeant Cornett succeeded in effecting a seizure on Monday last, up the railway line beyond Rob Roy, of a large quantity of beer and spirits, in the possession of a woman named Kelly. The confiscated liquors were brought into Queanbeyan the same night. The woman is said to be the same who some time ago was convicted of sly grogselling lower down the line.

A disastrous bush fire broke out on Sunday afternoon, by which (says the *Grenfell Times*) the whole of the grass on the Recreation Reserve, about 400 acres, was destroyed. The fire started on the northern side of the paddock, and fortunately the wind was blowing towards the river, otherwise the destruction would have been trebled. Mr. George King, who pays a heavy rent for the paddock, loses a large quantity of grass; some of the fencing is slightly damaged, and although the paddock was heavily stocked with bullocks they were all got out.

We learn from the *Queanbeyan Age* that last Saturday a terrible accident happened at the railway bridge now in course of construction at Queanbeyan. The ponderous mass of iron used in pile-driving, owing to the breaking of a rope, came down from its position upon the arm of a workman. The arm from above the wrist joint to the fingers was terribly crushed—actually to a pulp—and of course had to be amputated, which was done at the hospital, and the patient is now doing as well as can be expected.

At about 11 o'clock on Friday morning week (the *Macleay Argus* states) a narrow escape from death took place. It appeared that Mr. Byrnes, of the Star Hotel, left a revolver in his room. During his absence in Sydney the children took the weapon out, and it seems to have lain in the back yard for some time, as it was covered with dust when the groom picked it up. Thinking it was unloaded, he showed it to Miss Dowling, and it went off unexpectedly in his hand, the bullet passing close to her face and striking the wooden partition of the kitchen. Miss Dowling fainted, and remained insensible for several minutes.

The *Maitland Mercury* reports that on Monday afternoon Mr. John Phillips, an old resident of Lochinvar, met his death near Rutherford. The unfortunate man, who came into West Maitland, was returning home on his dray, and had got as far as the old Spread Eagle Inn when the accident occurred which terminated in his death. There was no eyewitness of the occurrence, but it is supposed that a wheel of the dray came in contact with an obstruction on the roadway, and the concussion threw the deceased, who was an aged man, from his seat on to the ground. From marks present on the body, the vehicle had evidently passed over him.

A young lady named Christina Graham last Saturday week, while bathing in the vicinity of Koree Island, Macleay River, the residence of her parents, was drowned. About 6 p.m. Miss Graham (says the *Macleay Herald*), who was a good swimmer, was bathing, and attempted to swim across the creek, some 150 yards. Her sister, observing that when halfway across she seemed to falter, called to her to come back. Miss Graham replied she was unable to do so, and before assistance could be rendered sank. Her sister swam to her assistance and reached her, when both disappeared; subsequently the younger swam to the shore, but Miss Graham, after rising for a short time, sank and lost her life. Her body was recovered the next day.

The *Gundagai Times* states that a very peculiar accident happened to two horses on Wednesday last. A man was drawing water from a lagoon opposite, and the horse becoming unmanageable slipped into the water and was drowned. Mr. E. Leary went into the water for the purpose of clearing the animal from the dray and harness, when Thomas Kelhone came on the scene riding Mr. Leary's black colt. Kelhone tied the horse to the loose harness, in order to assist in the work of relieving Father Finnegan's horse, when a shot was fired at the railway works and frightened the colt, who made for the water with some of the harness trailing about his head. Mr. Leary went into the water after the horse, and succeeded in keeping his head above water and guided him to the bank. However, immediately the bank was reached the poor brute struggled for a moment and then died.

LECTURES.

AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

A very interesting and instructive lecture on "Photography" was delivered last evening at the School of Arts, Pitt-street, by Dr. J. F. Elliott to a large and appreciative audience. The lecturer, who was introduced by Mr. Monteflore, commenced by stating that his lecture would be one rather for the uninitiated than for the forward amateur photographer. Dr. Elliott then traced the history of the art from Wedgewood's and Sir Humphrey Davy's,—who are the supposed originators of the art—time, in 1802, to the various processes used at the present day. The lecturer then more fully described the apparatus required by the amateur, also the necessary chemicals used in the art of photography, also the many processes. The dry process is more generally in use than the wet process by the amateur on account of the dry method requiring less apparatus and fewer chemicals, which to the landscape photographer is a great consideration. The lecture was illustrated by lantern views thrown upon a white sheet, the views being very beautiful and showing the very rapid strides now made by the profession. Among the views shown were scenes on the Hawkesbury River, Gosford, National Park, Fort Hacking, also some very excellent photographs of Paris before the Franco-Prussian war and since. Several of the views were received with admiration. The lecture was an exceedingly interesting one, and was listened to very attentively by all present.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS.)

THE INTERCOLONIAL CRICKET MATCH.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

Mr. Major has selected the following intercolonial cricket team:—Bonce, Blackham, Horan, Moule, M'Ilwraith, Palmer, Scott, Spofforth, Trumble, Walters, and Worrell; emergency, Trott and Robertson; umpire Hodges or J. Phillips.

V. A. T. C. BOXING DAY MEETING.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

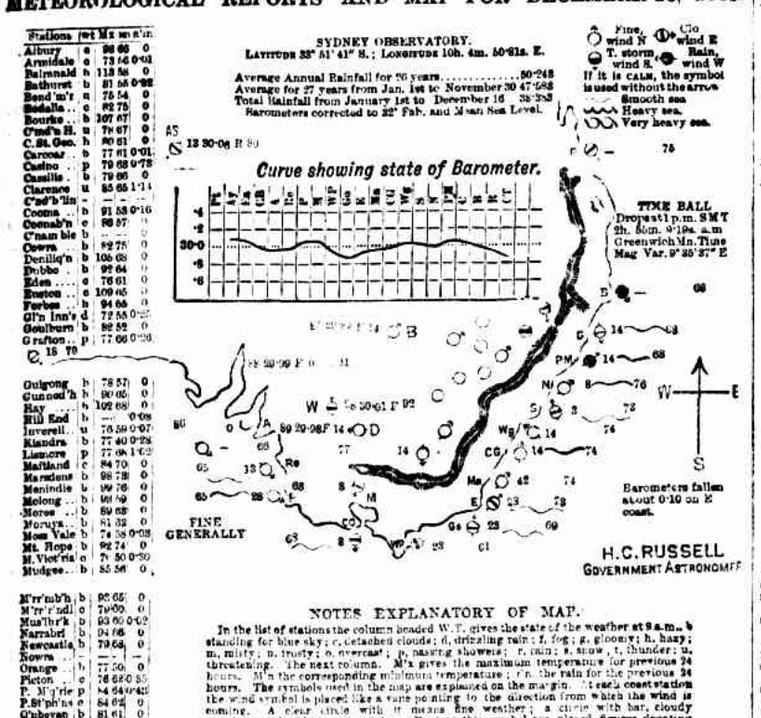
The following handicaps in connection with the V. A. T. C. Boxing Day meeting have been declared:—

HURDLE RACE.

	st lb		st lb
Royal Maid	12 9	Sensation	9 13
Gazelier	11 7	Arganthone	9 10
Agitation	10 10	Falcon	9 9
Vulcan	10 7	Derrimut	9 9
General Jackson	10 5	Kearie	9 9
Waverley	10 4	Tyreenee	9 9
Grattan	10 4	Vanderbilt	9 9
Oculist

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS AND MAP FOR DECEMBER 16, 1885.

Stations	wt	Mx	mn	r'in
Albury	c	96	66	0
Armidale	c	73	46	0·01
Balranald	b	113	58	0
Bathurst	b	81	54	0·02
Bend'm'r	n	78	54	0
Bedalla ..	c	82	75	0
Bourke ..	b	107	67	0
C'md'n H.	u	78	67	0
C. St. Geo.	b	80	51	0
Carcoar ..	b	77	41	0·01
Casino ..	p	79	62	0·78
Casilis ..	b	79	66	0
Clarence	u	85	65	1·14
C'ad'b'lin	-	—	—	—
Cooma ..	b	91	53	0·16
Coonab'n	c	80	57	0
C'nam bie	b	..	..	..
Cowra ..	b	82	75	0
Deniliq'n	b	105	68	0
Dubbo ..	b	92	64	0
Eden	c	76	61	0
Euston ..	c	109	65	0
Forbes ..	b	94	66	0
Gl'n Inn's	d	72	55	0·22
Goulburn	b	82	52	0
Grafton ..	p	77	66	0·20
Gulgong	b	78	57	0
Gunned'h	b	90	65	0
Hay	b	102	68	0
Hill End	b	..	..	0·08
Inverell ..	u	76	59	0·07
Kiandra	b	77	40	0·28
Lismore	p	77	68	1·62
Maitland	c	84	70	0
Marsden	b	98	58	0
Menindie	b	99	78	0
Molong ..	b	90	49	0
Moree ..	b	89	62	0
Moruya ..	b	81	52	0
Mom Vale	b	74	55	0·03
Mt. Hope	b	92	74	0
M.Vict'ria	c	78	50	0·50
Mudgee ..	b	85	58	0
M'r'mb'h	b	92	65	0
M'r'rundi	c	79	60	0
Mus'br'k	b	93	60	0·02
Narrabri	b	94	68	0
Newcastle	b	79	64	0
Nowra ..	-	—	—	—
Orange ..	b	77	50	0
Picton ..	c	76	60	0·35
P. Mg'rie	p	84	64	0·41
P.St'phn's	c	84	62	0
Q'beyan	b	81	61	0
Quirindi	b	83	59	0
Singleton	b	90	64	0·07
Sydney ..	g	75	65	0
Tamw'rth	b	82	59	0
Taralga ..	b	74	32	0
Taree	r	81	63	0·50
T'ut'rfield	a	74	56	0·82
Wagga ..	b	101	66	0
Walcha ..	c	70	51	0·19
Walgett ..	b	95	58	0
W'ter'rth	c	107	72	0
Wilcannia	b	..	..	..
Wil'gr'g	b	90	64	0·02
Young ..	b	96	61	0



NOTES EXPLANATORY OF MAP.

In the list of stations the column headed W.T. gives the state of the weather at 9 a.m., b standing for blue sky; c, detached clouds; d, drizzling rain; f, fog; g, gloomy; h, hazy; m, misty; n, mostly c, overcast; p, passing showers; r, rain; s, snow, t, thunder, threatening. The next column, Mx gives the maximum temperature for previous 24 hours. Mn the corresponding minimum temperature; r in, the rain for the previous 24 hours. The symbols used in the map are explained on the margin. At each coast station the wind symbol is placed like a vane pointing to the direction from which the wind is coming. A cross over it means fine weather; a circle with bar, cloudy weather, and a black spot, raining. Next to this symbol are placed figures denoting the number of miles the wind is moving per hour, next, a symbol showing the state of the sea, and, lastly, figures denoting the sea-in temperature at 9 a.m. The barometer curve shows the state of barometers round the coast from Perth to Cooktown:—Pt. Perth, Ade. Albany, Fa. Eucla, CP. Cape Borda, A. Adelaide, Ke. Robe; P. Portland; M. Melbourne, WP. Wilson's Promontory, Co. Gabo; E. Eden; Ma. Moruya; C G Jervis Bay, Wp. Wollongong, S. Sydney, N. Newcastle, PM. Port Macquarie, C. Clarence River, B. Brisbane, R. Rockhampton; Ct. Cooktown. Inland the state of barometer is given by figures at Albury, Deniliquin, Wentworth, Menindie, Bourke, and Alice Springs. The barometer curve enables one at a glance to trace the depressions, beginning with Western Australia and passing eastwards; northerly winds preceding them, and southerly following.

Western Australia.—Generally cloudy, with light E. and S.E. winds, and smooth sea. No rain.

South Australia reports weather generally sultry, with scattered clouds. Dull between Farina and Powell's Creek. Prevailing winds, S.W. to S.E., generally light, but fresh to strong in places. Rainfall: Port Darwin, 0·22.

Victoria.—Generally cloudy, with light southerly winds and calms, and slowly rising barometers. Smooth sea on coast. Dense fog at Wilson's Promontory. Rainfall: Cape Otway, 0·03.

Tasmania.—Low Heads, foggy, wind N.N.E., barometer 29·97, temperature 65°; Talmouth, dull, wind S., 15, barometer 30·04, temperature 58°. Rain: Low Heads, 0·01.

New Zealand.—Russell, barometer 30·00, wind calm; fine; Wellington, barometer 30·00, wind N.E., dull; Bluff, barometer 30·00, wind N.W., fine but cloudy.

New South Wales.—Generally fine and clear. Dull weather with rain in places in the N.E. part of colony; prevailing winds N.E. and calm; barometers falling, sea smooth. Full details in map above.

Queensland.—Cloudy and showery in the S.E.; fine in N.; winds S.E. to N.E. and calm, sea moderate. Rainfall: Brisbane, 0·56; Cape Moreton, 0·11; Rockhampton, 0·66.

3 P.M. OBSERVATIONS.

Victoria.—Melbourne, S.S.W., 13, cloudy, temperature 68°; Cape Otway, S.E., 8, cloudy, moderate sea, temperature 71°; Portland, S.E., 14, fine, slight sea, temperature 65°; Wilson's Promontory, E.N.E., 17, misty in south sea, temperature 69°; Lakes Entrance, W.S.W., 8, Cloudy, smooth sea, temperature 70°.

New South Wales.—Albury, S., very close, temperature 66°; Cape St. George, N.N.E., 28, fine, smooth sea, temperature 74°; Deniliquin, W.W., 14, fine, hot, temperature 95°; Dubbo, S.E., 14, fine, temperature 89°; Eden, N.N.E., 14, fine, slight sea, temperature 75°; Goulburn, E., 14, fine, temperature 71°; Menindie, calm, fine, hot, temperature 93°; Moruya, N.E., 42, fine, smooth sea, temperature 74°; Newcastle, S.E., 15, no sea, temperature 74°; Port Macquarie, N.E., sultry, smooth sea, temperature 79°; Sydney, E., 8, fine, smooth sea, temperature 75°; Wentworth, N., fine, temperature 85°.

STATE OF RIVERS.

Murrumbidgee: At Wagga, 11 inches above summer level; at Hay, below summer level; at Balranald, 2 inches below summer level. Murray: At Albury, 1 foot above summer level; at Euston, 4 feet 2 inches above summer level. Darling: At Wentworth, 4 feet 5 inches above summer level; at Pooncarie, Menindie, Williamite, and Bourke, low.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR DECEMBER 17.

Sun rises at 4·46, sets at 7·7; Moon, 2.20 p.m., sets 1.1 a.m.; Mercury, 5.11 a.m., 7.38 p.m.; Venus, 8.21 a.m., 10.15 p.m.; Mars, 11.50 p.m., 11.18 a.m.; Jupiter, 12.26 a.m., 12.26 p.m.; Saturn, 7.42p.m., 5.36 a.m. New moon, 6th; full moon, 22nd.

High water at Fort Denison, December 17: 3.11 a.m. and 3·46 p.m.

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COMMERCIAL.

PRODUCE MARKET.—WEDNESDAY.

Comparatively small supplies of wood and forage were offered at Darling Harbour terminus this morning. The sales were well attended by the trade. As at yesterday's sales the forage market comprised 10 trucks, chiefly of hay and chaff, with no straw forward. A little more activity was experienced for all descriptions, but prices were unaltered. For wood the demand improved. On the wharfs a moderate supply was forward of Northern and Southern rivers' consignments. Business was quiet, and the various lines disclosed no noticeable change in values. At Darling Harbour sales the following prices were realised:—

Wood.—Short supply. Improved demand for all descriptions at per ton:—Billetwood, 11s to 13s; bundle, 10s to 14s 6d; foot, 15s to 15s 3d; baker's, 11s to 12s.

Hay.—Comparatively small market. Competition was a little more active, especially for prime. Prices unaltered. Oaten, in bundles, new, 4s 9d to 5s 3d per cwt.; sheaves, 5s 1d; lucerne, in trues, 5s; wheaten, in bundles, 3s 6d to 4s 1d; oaten and wheaten, in bundles, 5s 3d.

Chaff.—Limited consignments to hand this morning. All lots were fairly competed for. Oaten, in bags, 5s 6d to 6s 1d per cwt.

On the wharfs the following are the wholesale quotations:—

Maize.—Supplies from the Hastings and Richmond rivers to hand this morning. Market remains quiet at 3s 1 d per bushel.

Oats.—No fresh arrivals, but market is fully supplied and continues quiet. Prime bright samples of heavy feed are in most inquiry at to 2s 3d per bushel; medium and discoloured lots almost neglected from 2s 2d. Business in seed is restricted.

Barley.—No improvement under this head. Market inactive. Cape seed being nominally worth to 3s 6d per bushel.

Bran.—Stocks working off with a firm market at 1s 4d per bushel.

Pollard.—Still in request at 1s 3d per bushel.

Chaff.—Moderate stocks. Demand remains quiet at £5 per ton for Victorian.

Onions.—A few odd lots from the Hunter River this morning. Supplies sufficient for the requirements. Working off at £5 per ton for Victorian. Hunter River descriptions, 8s 6d to 9s per cwt.

Potatoes.—No fresh arrivals save by limited consignments from the Hunter River. Market fairly supplied and rather quiet. Melbourne garden potatoes, £5 10s per ton; river descriptions, 5s 6d to 6s per cwt.

Butter.—Additions to stocks from the Southern ports this morning. Illawarra, in kег, selling steadily at 1s 6d per lb.; intercolonial packed, at 1s 3d

Cheese.—A Southern port shipment of 500 to hand yesterday. Supplies coming in more freely. Demand is scarcely so active as of late. Colonial, 10d to 1s per lb.; New Zealand, at 10d to 11d.

Bacon.—Continues quiet at 8½d per lb. for handcured Southern; machine-cured, at 7d to 7½d; heavy and rough, from 6d. Hams, 10d to 1s 2d.

Lard.—Dull of sale at 5d per lb. for finely rendered in bladders; in bulk, from 4d.

Honey.—Good and clear at 4½d to 5d per lb.; other sorts, from 2d.

Beeswax.—Salable at 9d to 1s per lb., according to quality.

Eggs.—Additions to stocks received this morning. Quiet at 1s to 1s 1d per doz.

Poultry.—Supplies to hand this morning. Steady request for all varieties excepting fowls at per pair:—Fowls, 3s to 4s; ducks, 5s 6d to 6s 6d; geese, 8s 6d to 9s; cock-turkeys, 10s to 14s; hen-turkeys, 7s to 9s.

FISH MARKET.

At the Woolloomooloo market for the week ending December 12th, a small supply of fish was received, including the following:—From the harbour, 80 baskets; Botany, 70; Broken Bay, 50; Tuggerah Lake, 55; Port Stephens, 19; Shoalhaven, 24; Lake M'Quarie, 250; total, 557 baskets. And also from Long Reef 10 dozen schnapper, and 40 dozen salmon from Botany. Fish under weight—Half basket was sent to charitable institutions. 71 baskets were condemned unfit for food. The prices obtained ranged as follows:—Schnapper, 7s to 45s per dozen; squire, 2s to 9s per dozen; flathead, 1s 6d to 2's per dozen; whiting, 1s 6d to 12s 6d per dozen; flounders, 9s 6d to 14s per dozen; soles, 2s to 9s per dozen; king fish, 5s per dozen; jew fish, 7s to 10s per dozen; tregilla, 10s per dozen; salmon, 2s to 2s per dozen; mullet (sea), 4s to 10s 6d per dozen; long toms, 2s to 4s 6d per dozen; rock cod, 4s to 8s per dozen; eels, 9s to 24s per dozen; bream (red), 15s per basket (80 to 90 lb.); bream (black), 12s to 20s per basket (80 to 90 lb.); garfish, 10s to 26s per basket (80 to 90 lb.); blackfish, 6s to 10s per basket (80 to 90 lb.); silver-bellies, 9s to 17s per basket (80 to 90 lb.); salmon trout, 5s to 10s per basket (80 to 90 lb.); mullet (sand), 5s to 25s per basket (80 to 90 lb.); trevally, 9s to 15s per basket (80 to 90lb.); yellowtail, 8s to 15s per basket (80 to 90 lb.); tailers, 6s to 15s per basket (80 to 90 lb.); lobsters, 8s to 14s per dozen; crabs, 1s to 3s per dozen; prawns, 20s to 30s per bushel; oysters 6s to 10s per bag. Total amount realised at week's sales, £562 15s 6d.

WOOL SALES.—WEDNESDAY.

By Messrs. Mort and Co., Limited.—SAW, 11 at 6d; BO, 13 at 8½d; BLE, 44 at 7½d; C over CH, 58 at 6½d; C in diamond, 13 at 8d; R, 19 at 6½d; J M'Culloch over Columbia Plains, 23 at 7½d; WS over Mitta Mitta, 4 at 7½d; F Bros over Bendinine, 39 lambs at 4½d; H in circle over Streamville, 6 at 7½d; PJOD over Gingery, 20 at 4½d, 7 at 8d; AL conjoined over Wyalbanen, 39 at 6d; JS over Fairfield, 15 at 7½d. JM-M over Budgeon, 29 at 6½d; Llangollen, 5 at 7d; B over SS, 39 at 7½d; MT over diamond, 32 conbing at 9½d, 11 clothing at 8½d, 68 skirts at 8½d; JC over UBEL, 17 at 7½d, 4 lambs at 8½d; JC in oblong, 10 at 9d; M over WS over S, 7 at 6½d; RMP, 5 at 4½d; SL, 15 at 7½d; PSJB over Hampden, 20 at 6½d; JMT over Woodville, 36 at 6½d; JC over W, 22 at 7½d; JB over Mendebrie, 7 at 6½d; JG over Horse Park, 17 crossbred at 6½d; LAT over Burrowa, 7 at 6½d; Mulgunnia, 39 at 7d, 4 pieces at 6½d; Marrico, 48 crossbred at 7½d, 7 merino ewes at 7½d, 6 bellies at 5½d over NC, 19 at 7d; P over O, 11 at 6½d; GD conjoined, 28 at 8½d; RD, 14 at 10½d; S in circle, 13 at 8d; 37 over diamond over Burrangong, 10 at 8½d; TH over Cambarra, 61 at 8d; PJN, 7 at 7d; FDB over Bonnie Doon, 17 at 8½d. Pleasc: AP, 23 at 9½d; EAW, 21 at 10½d; Lister over Ulah, 18 at 8½d; CW over S, 9 at 9½d; Cleveden, 8 at 10d; CD, 7 at 8½d; FS, 19 at 9½d; MO, 30 at 11½d, 18 at 9d; Z over A over New England, 8 at 13½d; TH over A over New England, 10 at 10½d; TX over Honeysuckle, 11 at 10½d; GD, 5 at 9½d; JC over Numby, 23 at 11½d; F over Walcha, 7 at 10d; TS over —, 10 at 10d; NBE, 9 at 6d; JL red, 42 at 10d. Seconds: Melwarree, 27 1st comb at 13½d, 13 2nd comb at 10d, 8 2nd at 6½d; Davidson over Wilga Downs, 44 at 4½d; D over Tranco, 8 at 14½d, 10 at 11d, 6 at 7d, 11 at 6d; Mittagong, 14 at 9½d; PIP, 22 at 7½d; Wongo, 11 at 4½d; Inglevale, 58 at 7d; JG, 8 at 7½d; PE over Forest Hill, 15 at 5d; Kangiara, 28 at 5d; F over C, 30 at 7½d; HEM over Landgrove, 25 at 6½d, 7 pieces at 6d, 9 bellies at 5½d; K-TM over E, 30 at 6½d, 6 lambs at 5d; XM, 6 at 5½d; Naninna, 50 at 7½d, 7 bellies at 5½d; AC conjoined, 45 at 7½d; AD Badgery, 14 at 5½d; AD Badgery over Cogenburgh, 13 at 6½d; ASLE over Bogie, 27 at 6½d, 3 over Burolin, 78 at 6½d, 6 bellies at 5d, 5 2nd pieces at 4½d; CT over Cheyney, 39 grease at 7½d; Davison over Wilga Downs, 56 at 6½d, 66 at 5½d, 16 1st lambs at 6d, 15 2nd lambs at 4½d, 13 1st pieces at 5½d, 21 2nd pieces at 5½d, 6 bellies at 1d; CF over D, 36 at 6½d; ERAC, 13 at 7½d; JH, 17 at 6½d; JL over Wallandool, 14 at 7½d; AL in diamond, over Wallandool, 7 at 7½d; W over JC in diamond, 8 at 6½d; — over CB, 38 at 8d, 5 2nd ewes at 6½d, 27 skirts at 5d, 4 bellies at 5½d, 4 lambs at 4½d; AW, 7 at 6d; AMD over New England, 5 at 6½d; Combing over Y, 9 at 9½d; MOC, 46 at 7½d, 18 1st lambs at 7d, 7 1st pieces at 5½d; Mundaring over RJ, 36 at 9½d, 6 second fleece at 7½d, 11 ewes at 6½d, 18 pieces at 6d; BT, 9 at 6½d; OW over S, 4 at 6½d; CDover CW, 4 lambs at 6d; J over DHCO, 6 at 6d; DF Kenya, 14 at 6½d; DMB, 12 at 7d; CD, 5 at 6½d; F over A, 11 at 7½d; GP over New England, 8 at 6d; HO, 7 at 6½d; H, 6 at 6½d; HBT, 13 at 5½d.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

MELBOURNE LIVE STOCK REPORT.

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

Messrs. Powers, Rutherford, and Co. report:—Cattle: 7068 yarded, and the supply being excessive, the sales dragged somewhat; but all round we consider the market fully equal to last week. We sold 150 head at up to £13 10s. Sheep: 28,000 yarded, good and prime being scarce, they sold at 6d. higher, but the sales for other sorts were dull and dragging. We sold 3300 sheep and lambs through the yards.

Messrs. Lol Cruickbell and Co. report.—Fat cattle: 1902 forward to-day (including a large number of prime quality. The prices were about the same as last week, prime heavy pens of bullocks making up to £13 10s; good, £9 to £10. Fat sheep: Another heavy supply, and no improvement in prices. Best merino wethers, forward, made to 10s; good, 8s to 8s 6d.

Messrs. Ryan and Hammond report:—Fat Cattle: 1900 odd yarded, all Victorian, of good and useful to prime, and some extra quality. The demand was brisk, and the prices were fully equal to last week's rates, best beef making 28s per 160lb. We sold 180 head for different owners, at prices up to £11 7s 6d per head. Fat Sheep: 26,000 yarded, which proved more than requirements, the demand being dull, and prices easier. Best merino wethers, 62lb., made 10s, and others in proportion. Fat Lambs: About 6000 yarded. Prices were firm at last week's rates, best making 10s.

ADELAIDE LIVE STOCK REPORT.

ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY.

Messrs. Elders Wool and Produce Company, Limited, report.—Fat Cattle: Over 800 yarded. The demand was dull, and there was no improvement in the prices. Best beef realised from 14s to 16s per 100lb., and a number of cattle were turned out. Best bullocks made from £7 to £8, and a few higher. Fat Sheep: A large supply, some prime, and chiefly medium and low conditions. For best sorts the demand was fairly good, but the others were dull. Prime merino wethers made 9s to 9s 6d, and a few to 10s; good, 8s to 8s 6d; medium, 7s to 7s 6d.

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ONE can live on MARK LODGE, Fairfield. No small Allotments, but fine 5-ACRE BLOCKS. Plenty of room for GARDEN, ORCHARDS, &c. Sale NEXT SATURDAY. Special Train at 2.15 p.m.

AN ECONOMICAL WAY of spending the HOLIDAYS.—Secure a 5-ACRE WATER FRONTAGE Block at MARK LODGE, Fairfield, NEXT SATURDAY, and PICNIC there. Splendid FISHING, BATHING, and BOATING. Before long these blocks will QUADRUPLE in value. Train starts at 2.15 p.m.

XMAS HOLIDAYS.—Don't go to the MOUNTAINS for change of air; you can enjoy EQUAL BENEFITS at MARK LODGE, FAIRFIELD, at a fraction of the expense, and only a FOURTH of the distance from Sydney. Pure Air, BOATING, BATHING, and FISHING. Go there next SATURDAY, and prove this for yourself.

SOME of the RICHEST SOIL in the county of Cumberland will be found on MARK LODGE, Fairfield. FRUIT and VINE GROWERS should go there and prove this for themselves. Train starts at 2.15 p.m. Next Saturday Afternoon.

TEN PER CENT. DEPOSIT, balance by monthly, quarterly, or yearly payments, extending over 5, 7, or 10 YEARS, at 6 per cent., are the TERMS on which 5-ACRE WATER-FRONTAGE BLOCKS on MARK LODGE, Fairfield, will be sold NEXT SATURDAY AFTERNOON. Plans and Free Passes, for adults only, at 88, Pitt-street.

MARK LODGE, FAIRFIELD.

NEXT SATURDAY
The SPECIAL TRAIN leaves Redfern Station at
2.15 p.m.,
picking up at Newtown, Petersham, Burwood, and Granville.
FREE PASSES, for adults only, from
SATT, RODD, and FURVES.

REMEMBER HOOPER'S GARDENS SALE on SATURDAY, the last opportunity this year, Mills and Pile.

THE PLATEAU, MOUNT RAMSAY, Narrabeen Lakes. Read all to-morrow's advertisements.

WATER FRONTAGES.—Next SATURDAY, CARLTON PARK, Kogarah Bay. Watkin and Watkin.

XMAS NUMBER SYDNEY MAIL. Send to your country friends a suitable Xmas present. Of all Newsagents, 6d.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AND SOUVENIRS.

A CHARMING VARIETY OF THESE GOODS

AT DAVID JONES AND COMPANY'S

GREAT GENUINE SALE FOR CASH,

PRIOR TO PULLING DOWN THEIR PREMISES.

Auction Sales.

WILLIAM INGLIS and CO.'S HORSE BAZAAR,
PITT and CASTLEREAGH STREETS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and CO. will hold their regular Sale of Horses, Vehicles, &c., at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, commencing at 11 o'clock sharp, when the following will be offered:—
Draught, van, 'bus, cab, and all descriptions of light harness horses and hackneys.
Also,
Buggies, vans, springcarts, tipdrays, harness, saddles, &c.

N.B.—Sales held at the Bazaar daily, and at Camperdown any afternoon, as per arrangement.

3 SHETLAND PONIES, SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN.

PAIR OF CREAM-COLOURED PONIES BROKEN TO HARNESS.

Also,
DOUBLE-SEATED HOODED ABBOT DOWNING BUGGY.

To be SOLD
at WILLIAM INGLIS and CO.'S BAZAAR,
THIS DAY, December 17th, at 12 o'clock.

WILLIAM INGLIS and CO. have received instructions from M. Harris, Esq., to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, December 17th, at 12 o'clock,
3 Shetland ponies—2 fillies and 1 entire—10 hands, broken to saddle, quiet, and used to children.
A pair of cream-coloured pony mares, 13 hands, broken to harness, a good match, will run together.
A double-seated hooded Abbot Downing buggy, in good order.

THOROUGHBRED RACE MARE MAORI GIRL.

FOR SALE,
at
WILLIAM INGLIS and CO.'S BAZAAR.

THIS DAY, DECEMBER 17, at 12 o'clock.

WILLIAM INGLIS and CO. have received instructions to sell by AUCTION, at the BAZAAR, THIS DAY, DECEMBER 17, at 12 o'clock,
The well-known thoroughbred mare MAORI GIRL, 3 years old, by Kauri out of Caledonia, by Caledon out of Spray. Spray is the dam of Stormbird, Belle of the Isle, Flying Fish, &c. Belle of the Isle was the dam of Templeton. Flying Fish was the dam of Luna and Coldstream. Kauri, bred by H. Redwood, Esq., by Tou Tou, out of Waimea, dam of Manuka, Tol Tol, Totara, Renga, Papapa, Ruriri, Rama Rama, and others. This is a rare-bred one, and worthy of the attention of racing men.

FIRST-CLASS LIGHT HARNESS HORSE.

FOR SALE,
THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock.

WILLIAM INGLIS and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, December 17, at 12 o'clock,
A bay gelding, 6 years old, standing 17 hands, broken to saddle and light harness, a perfectly quiet and reliable horse, will stand tram; has been used to town work, and can be driven with safety by a lady.

HEAVY DRAUGHT, VAN, LIGHT HARNESS, and SADDLE HORSES.

For SALE, at
WILLIAM INGLIS and CO.'S BAZAAR,
THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

WILLIAM INGLIS and CO. have received instructions from various owners to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
20 superior heavy draught mares and geldings, stanch in collar, and subject to trial
16 active cart and van horses, with trials
10 useful saddle and harness horses.

BOOKHAM HORSES.

25 SUPERIOR WELL-BRED UPSTANDING LIGHT HARNESS and SADDLE HORSES.

For SALE at CAMPERDOWN YARDS,
THIS DAY, DECEMBER 17, at HALF-PAST 2 O'CLOCK.

WILLIAM INGLIS and CO. have received instructions from Mr. L. ROCHE, BOOKHAM, to sell by auction, at the CAMPERDOWN YARDS, THIS DAY, the 17th, at half-past 2 o'clock,
25 superior well-bred upstanding light harness and saddle horses, possessing size and quality. Amongst the lot are a well-matched pair of bay buggy horses, and a stylish pair of cream-coloured ponies, broken to harness, and thoroughly quiet.

FASHIONABLE VEHICLES
BRASS-MOUNTED HARNESS
SADDLES AND BRIDLES, &c., and
BUGGY HORSE.

FOR SALE,
AT FENNELLY'S BAZAAR,
THIS DAY, AT 2 O'CLOCK.

W. GARLING has been instructed by the Executor in the Estate of the late Mr. Arthur Allen to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2
1.—One hooded Stanhope phaeton, with patent concealed back door, fitted with lamps, shafts, and brake, built to order by Vial and Son, nearly new
2.—One Victoria, built to order by Shanks, of London, an elegant carriage, complete, with pole and shafts, brake and lamps
3.—One hooded Stanhope phaeton, very light, convertible to waggonette, with patent concealed door and concealed hind step, lamps, shafts, pole, and brake, built to order by Vial and Son, nearly new
4.—One family waggonette, by Vial and Son, with lamps, pole, and brake
5.—One village cart, varnished in natural colours, lamps, and all complete, trimmed with blue cloth
6.—One cut-under English fore-carriage buggy, shafts and brake, complete, built to order by Vial and Son
Two sets double harness, brass-mounted
One set single ditto ditto
Four hogskin saddles (including one lady's)
Four bridles.

Also,
A well-bred brown gelding, broken to saddle and harness.

The attention of inquirers for articles as above is requested to this sale, it being well known that the late Mr. Arthur Allen was particular in his selection.

Under instructions from Lord AUGUSTUS LOFTUS.

W. GARLING has been instructed by Lord Augustus Loftus to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's, THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
A brougham, by Barker, of London
A ba ouche, convertible to landau, by Binder of Paris.

Both carriages are in splendid order, and are by first-class builders.

FOX-TERRIERS and GREYHOUNDS.

W. GARLING has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
12 fox-terrier pups, by Grip (he by Quilp) from Wasp, by Champion Gaffer.
Further pedigrees at sale.
These are really well-bred dogs, and will positively be sold.

Also,
PINION, by Master Joe—Bronzewing; and BESSIE, by Bashful Jerry—Blue Lookout; two greyhounds.
Full particulars of breeding at sale.

HANDSOME BROWN GELDING.

W. GARLING is instructed to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
A particularly fine brown gelding, broken to saddle and harness.

There has been no opportunity of seeing this horse about town, as he has been used in the suburbs, but he must attract attention anywhere, being one of the best goers in harness, and a remarkably good hack, up to weight, &c.

BAY GELDING VICTOR.

W. GARLING has been instructed by E. Samuel, Esq., to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
Victor, a bay gelding, by Captivator. A really good hack, and fast, having won Produce Stakes at Grafton.

HORSES, CARRIAGES, HARNESS, &c.

W. GARLING has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,

For H. P. Bell, Esq.,
Vandyke, by Loup Garou
Vanguard, by Sir Benjamin (imp.)
A pair of brown geldings, broken to single and double harness
Stanhope phaeton, in splendid order, and set of double harness.

For owners,
A set of four-in-hand harness
A gray gelding, can be recommended for buggy work.

SADDLE and HARNESS HORSE.

W. GARLING has been instructed by Messrs. Ptolemy and Steenbloom to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
A bay gelding, broken to single and double harness; would make a first-class family horse.

AMERICAN HOODED PONY GIG, BLACK COB, and SET HARNESS.

W. GARLING has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
An American hooded pony gig, and black cob, and set harness. The above is a first-class turnout.

SADDLE and HARNESS HORSES.

W. GARLING has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
Bay gelding, 6 years, 16 hands, broken to saddle and harness
Brown gelding, 5 years, 15 hands 2½ inches, broken to single and double harness and saddle.

Both the above have been used constantly in double harness, and are good movers.

BARON.

W. GARLING has been instructed by Thos. Laurie, Esq., to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
Bg Baron, by Viscount, dam Queen of Trumps, by Snowden, Viscount, by Lord of Lynne.

A good hack and fast, having won and been placed in several races.

CARRIAGE HORSES.

W. GARLING has been instructed to sell by auction at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
Bay gelding, 6 years, 16 hands, by Livingstone, broken to single and double harness and saddle.
Brown gelding, 4 years, 16.2, broken to saddle and harness.
Brown gelding, 4 years, 14.3, by Express (imp.), broken to single and double harness and saddle.

All the above are used to town driving and stand trams.

MAIL PHAETON,
by Shanks, of London.

W. GARLING has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
Mail phaeton, by Shanks, of London; a very stylish trap and nearly new.

ROSEHILL RACING CLUB.

W. GARLING has been instructed by the Secretary of the Rosehill Racing Club, to sell by auction at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), on MONDAY next, 21st instant, at 12.30 o'clock,
The right to entrance gates, booths, cake and fruit stalls, and hill reserve, for the above meeting, to be run on Monday, 28th instant.

Intending buyers will please notice time of sale is HALF-PAST TWELVE, thus allowing time to be present after attending sale of A. J. C. gates, &c., at Mr. Kiss'.

HORSES, VEHICLES, and HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, all lots not specially advertised; and at 12 o'clock, all lots not specially advertised.
Regular sales at the Bazaar daily, and at Camperdown any afternoon.
Livery: In this department charges moderate and best of forage.

TO SPORTING GENTLEMEN AND OTHERS.

TROTTING HORSE GASALIER.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 12 o'clock,
GASALIER, grey gelding, 5 years (half brother to the famous Leithamstead), by Lamplighter, dam Lucy; he is just broken to harness, but never tried. On view until time of sale.

SADDLE and HARNESS HORSES.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the owner to sell by auction at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Bay mare, broken to saddle and harness, quiet, &c.
Bay gelding, ditto ditto, ditto.

DOUBLE-SEATED BUGGY.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
A double-seated buggy, nearly new, with brake and lamps.

THREE MITTAGONG HORSES.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from W. G. Walker, Esq., Mittagong, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
A strongly-built black gelding, quiet in saddle, single and double harness
A bay mare, ditto ditto
A brown gelding, 17 hands, good hack; would make a stand jumper horse.

TWO FRESH COUNTRY HORSES.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. C. Donagh, Hunter River, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Bay gelding, 6 years, by Duke of Cleveland (imported), broken to saddle and harness, quiet and good.
Bay gelding, 4 years, by Duke of Cleveland (imported).

HANDSOME SADDLE AND HARNESS HORSE.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, A handsome bay gelding, broken to saddle and harness, and is a grand sort for a buggy.

BOOTHS. BOOTHS.

A. J. C. SUMMER MEETING.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the Secretary A. J. Club to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, on MONDAY, 21st instant, at 12 o'clock.
The right to the entrance gate, booths, and St. Leger Reserve, &c., for the above meeting, to be held at Randwick on Boxing Day, 26th December.

BOOTHS. BOOTHS.

INTERCOLONIAL JUNIOR CRICKET MATCH.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the Secretary of Association Cricket Ground to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, on MONDAY, 21st instant, at 12 o'clock.
The right to the booths and cake and fruit stalls for the above match, to be held on 26th, 28th, and 29th instant.

BROWN BROS. and CO.'S CITY HORSE and CATTLE BAZAAR,
Castlereagh-street.

BROWN BROS. and CO. will hold their usual DAILY AUCTION SALE of HORSES, VEHICLES, &c., at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar, THIS DAY, commencing at 10.30 a.m. sharp, when the following will be submitted:—
30 medium, heavy draught, van, omnibus, and saddle and light harness horses.
Also,
Buggies, springcarts, vans, drays, and saddlery and harness.

N.B.—Sales at Camperdown any afternoon as per arrangement.

Auction Sales.

THIS DAY, DECEMBER 17,
at 11 a.m.

ELEGANT and IMPORTANT
SALE BY AUCTION,
under instructions from
M. C. COWLISHAW, Esq.,
in consequence of his departure for Europe,
at his residence,
UNINGRA, No. 9, WYLDE-STREET,
MACLEAY-STREET, POTTS POINT.

The whole of his
COSTLY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS,
expressly made to his order and selection,
which affords ample guarantee for excellence of
QUALITY and WORKMANSHIP.

THE DRAWING, DINING, and BED ROOMS
are replete with every description of
FIRST-CLASS and LUXURIOUS FURNITURE,
comprising
ELEGANT DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, in CHOICE WALNUT, upholstered in Figured Silk Tapestry, with Plush Borders and Corded Edges
FULL-TONED PIANOFORTE, in ITALIAN WALNUT, by Carl Ronisch, of Dresden
OVAL CENTRE TABLE, INLAID MARQUETERIE and EBONITE
VERY HANDSOME CRIMSON SILK WINDOW DRAPERIES, with Deep Valances and Tassel Borders
OVIFORM INLAID MUSIC CANTERBURY, of unique design
EXQUISITE DRESDEN FIGURES, in Bisque China
PARISIAN JARDINIERES on Mounted Tripods, in Black and Gold
CHARMING WALL BRACKETS, in Embroidered Plush, &c.
Enamel and Porcelain Vases and Ornaments
Chaste PARIAN MARBLE FIGURE of "Lady Godiva"
Beautifully Embroidered and Floreated MANTEL BOARDS, in Cramoisie Velvet
SPLENDID BRUSSELS CARPETS, to Floor, with elegant Border
PAIR CARVED GILT GIRANDOLES, ornamented with Jasper Ware, Medallions, and Triple Sconces
CHOICE WATER COLOURS, in Oxford Frames, Carved Oak
EXCELLENT DINING-ROOM SUITE, of Florid Gothic Design, in CARVED ENGLISH OAK, with Roll-over Tops, Stuffed Backs and Seats, in Leather
MASSIVE OAK SIDEBOARD, en suite, with Mirrored Back, emblazoned with Shields, and finely Carved Panels
EXTENDING DINING TABLE, in OAK, with Elliptic Ends
Valuable Oil Paintings, Engravings of Doré's Celebrated Pictures
BLACK and GOLD WINDOW CORNICES and TERRASSEE DAMASK CURTAINS
STERLING SILVER, ELECTRO-SILVER PLATED WARE
WALL BRACKETS BRONZE NIC-NACS, BIBELOTS
BRASS HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS, COTS, &c.
Spring Mattresses, Drapery, Bedding
FULL-SIZED WARDROBES, in WALNUT
Duchess Toilet Tables, Washstands
Polished Cedar Chests of Drawers
Entrance Hall HAT and UMBRELLA STAND, in SPANISH MAHOGANY
Carved Hall Chairs, Mats, Rugs, &c.
Garden Tools, Garden Roller
Verandah Chairs and Lounges, Octagon Barrel Seats
KITCHEN and LAUNDRY REQUISITES
&c., &c., &c.

To Ladies and Gentlemen Furnishing, Furniture Warehousemen, Commission Agents, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN are in receipt of instructions from M. C. COWLISHAW, Esq. (who is leaving for Europe), to arrange the above for SALE BY AUCTION, at his Residence, UNINGRA, No. 9, WYLDE-STREET, POTTS POINT, THIS DAY, 17th DECEMBER, at 11 a.m.

*** DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUES in course of preparation.

THIS DAY, December 17, at 11 a.m.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION
(On account of whom it may concern, with all faults).

Ex Gulf of Mexico (s.), from London.
8 CASES SINGLE and DOUBLE BUGGY HARNESS.

To Saddlers, Private Gentlemen, Storekeepers, Shippers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will SELL the above BY AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, No. 199, PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
NO RESERVE.
TERMS, CASH.

THE NEW AUCTION MART, 199, PITT-STREET.

THIS DAY, 17th DECEMBER,
at 11 a.m.

EXTENSIVE SALE BY AUCTION,
under instructions from
Messrs. MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.,
of
BRITISH PLATE
and
BELGIAN SHEET GLASS, &c.,
as under:

227 Boxes 16oz. Sheet, each 100 feet, assorted sizes, from 10 x 8 to 36 x 34
100 Envelopes, 16oz. Sheets, containing 2 boxes, each 100 feet, from 40 x 34 to 60 x 40
45 Envelopes, 18oz Sheets, containing 2 boxes, each 100 feet, best and second quality, sizes, 35 x 30 to 60 x 40
108 Cases, 16oz., each 200 feet, 26 x 20 to 46 x 34
107 Boxes, 21oz., each 100 feet, assorted sizes, 34 x 20 to 36 x 34
92 Envelopes, 21oz., containing 2 boxes, each 100 feet, 40 x 34 to 50 x 44
68 Boxes, 26oz., each 100 feet, 40 x 20 to 36 x 34
79 Envelopes, 26oz., containing 2 boxes, each 100 feet, 40 x 34 to 70 x 44
36 Envelopes, 32oz., containing 2 boxes, each 100 feet, 35 x 30 to 60 x 50
140 Cases British Rolled Plate Glass, ¼, 3-16th, ⅜, and ½ inch thick.

To Glass Merchants, Contractors, Builders, Storekeepers, Merchants, Shippers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN are instructed by Messrs. MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO. to sell the above by auction, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 199, PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

NO RESERVE.
TERMS LIBERAL AT SALE.

THIS DAY, 17th DECEMBER, at 11 a.m.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION.
Ex CHIMBORAZO (s.), from London.

10 CASES METAL and WOOD TOYS,
of every description.

Also,
(on account of whom it may concern, with all faults),
Ex LOCH RANNOCH, from London,
1 CASE TIN TOYS.

To Fancy Warehousemen, Toy Repositories, Country Storekeepers, Shippers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will SELL the above BY AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, No. 199, PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

NO RESERVE,
TERMS AT SALE.

THE NEW AUCTION MART, 199, PITT-STREET.

THIS DAY, 17th DECEMBER,
at half-past 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

IMPORTANT AND UNRESERVED
SALE BY AUCTION
of
MARBLE MANTELPIECES and FENDERS
MARBLE SLABS, MINTON TILES
REGISTER GRATES
BIVALVE GRATES
ORNAMENTAL TILED GRATES, &c.,
and suitable for
DRAWING-ROOMS, DINING-ROOMS
BEDROOMS, OFFICES.

Consisting of
SICILIAN ARCHED, 9½ piers, 11 x 14 shelves
Ditto, with hollow in spandrel and keystone
ROUGE ROYAL, with black marble mouldings
ST. ANNE'S, of various descriptions
ENAMELLED SLATE CHIMNEYPIECES, in parti-colour
FENDERS, in Sicilian Vein, St. Anne's, and Rouge Royal
Belgian Black, French Blende, Bois and Lavender ditto
REGISTERED GRATES, BIVALES, and TILED GRATES, in sizes 24 x 36, 26 x 38, 28 x 40, 40 x 42
STOVES, RANGES, &c.

To Marble Masons, Mantelpiece Manufacturers, Private Gentlemen Building, Contractors, Builders, and Others.

HARRIS and ACKMAN have received instructions to SELL BY AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 199, PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at half-past 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

NO RESERVE.
TERMS AT SALE.

THE NEW AUCTION MART, No. 199, PITT-STREET.

FRIDAY, 18th DECEMBER,
at 11 o'clock.

EXTRAORDINARY GRAND DISPLAY
and
HIGHLY IMPORTANT
and
ATTRACTIVE SALE BY AUCTION
of
81 Packages
JAPANESE ART PRODUCTIONS
Cloisonné Enamels
Magnificent Bronzes
Embroidered Silks
Carved Ivories
Unique Curios
Cabinetware
Finest Lacquered Goods
&c., &c.

Just Landed, ex Hampshire (s.), from Hongkong.

This Extensive and Splendid Shipment
VERY INTERESTING RARE CURIOS and ART OBJECTS
is of
UNEQUALLED GRANDEUR,
and embraces lines
of the
MOST COSTLY CHARACTER,
selected by
that distinguished Japanese connoisseur,
Mr. H. OMURA,
of Kobe,
who for many years has enjoyed exceptional powers and advantages delegated to European collectors in Japan. The entire shipment has been personally superintended by this gentleman, thus affording ample guarantee of its excellence throughout.

The catalogue includes—
JAPANESE VASES,
gorgeously embellished,
in
Awata, Kioto, Bizhin, Bizen, Imari
Kishin, finest Satsuma, Cloisonné, Kaga
Awaji, Seiji, Real Bronzes, Antique Bronzes
Inlaid Bronzes, Inlaid Metals, Bamboo, Terra Cotta, &c.

MAGNIFICENT CARVED IVORY, &c.
Figures and Stands, elaborately carved and wrought
Pagoda Structures, Sanpans, and Grotesque Objects
Similar Figures, Fans, Perfumes, Holders, &c.
Ornaments in Ivory of marvellous beauty.

ORIENTAL PORCELAIN AND EARTHENWARE.
Tea and Dejeuner Services, in sets of 5, 7, and 15 pieces
Oriental Cups, Toilette Boxes, Sweetmeat Vases, Water Pots
Lamp Stands, Bowls, Plates, Dishes, Covers, &c.

SILK AND SILK EMBROIDERIES.
Cushion Tops, Squares, Table Covers, Counterpanes
Curtains, Fans, Pincushions, Photo. Frames
Handkerchiefs, Watchholders, Wall Pockets, &c.
Morning Wrappers, Tea Gowns, Smoking Coats, Coverlets, &c.

BAMBOO WARES.
Cigar Holders, Caskets in nests, Card Receivers, Covers of Jars, Cake Baskets, Fans, Threadwinders, &c.
METAL AND BRONZE WARES.
Cressets, Lanterns, Lamps, artistic Bronzes in sets
Jewel Caskets, Cigar Stands, Jars, Gourds, Vases, Bowls, &c.
Inlaid Gold and Silver Vases of most elaborate description.

JAPANESE WICKERWORK and BASKETWARE.
Fancy Baskets, Jars, Caskets, Covers, Porte Cigare, &c.

CARVINGS IN WOOD.
Lamp Chandeliers, Flambeaux, Candlesticks
LARGE-SIZED ORNAMENTAL SCREENS, INLAID GOLD, SILVER, PEARLS, IVORY, &c.
JAPANESE OLD and NEW TOYS
SHITAN CABINET, FANS
Ash Trays, Bamboo Carvings
Images, Statuettes, Deities in bronze
Japanese Armour, Swords, Helmets, Trumpets
Best Carved Bamboo Sticks
SILK EMBROIDERED SCREENS, three and four fold
EMPRESS VASES, INSIGNE, CRACKLEWARE
Koro Jars, Fret Screens, Shelf Brackets
Firegrate Fans, Gold and Silver Bordered Screens
Fans and Lanterns, in great variety.

To Trade Buyers, Art Collectors, Curio Dealers, Silk Mercers, Fancy Repositories, Jewellers, Ladies and Gentlemen Furnishing, Storekeepers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN have received instructions from the LEADING JAPANESE COLLECTIONIST to continue the Sale of the above MAGNIFICENT SHIPMENT, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 199, PITT-STREET, on FRIDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 18, at 11 o'clock.
NO RESERVE.
DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUES ON APPLICATION.

ON VIEW THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17.
THE NEW AUCTION MART,
199, Pitt-street.

MONDAY, 21st DECEMBER,
at 11 a.m.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

Under Instructions from the Importers.

Shipment of
40 AMERICAN BUGGIES,

Ex F. P. Lichfield, from New York,
comprising—
PIANO BOX, several grades, with tops and without
DROP FRONT, with and without tops
PHAETONS, with hoods
GUNBOAT WAGGONS (open), with pole and brake
LIGHT DAISY SIDE BAR, with shafts
SIDE-BAR BREWSTER
WHITECHAPEL SIDE-BAR (Brewster)
BUCKBOARD WAGGON, Cabriolet, with pole
ENGER-SIDE SPRING, with shafts
DEXTER QUEEN
PIANO BOX SIDE-BAR (cross spring)
also
20 SETS SINGDE and DOUBLE HARNESS.

To Coachbuilders, Private Gentlemen, Carriage Proprietors, Saddlers, Storekeepers, Shippers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN have received instructions to SELL the above by AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 199, PITT-STREET, on MONDAY NEXT, at 11 a.m.

NO RESERVE.
TERMS AT SALE.

IMPORTANT TO
FANCY GOODS WAREHOUSEMEN, FANCY REPOSITORIES, HEADS OF FAMILIES, PRIVATE BUYERS, and OTHERS.

THE ENTIRE STOCK-IN-TRADE
of a
FANCY GOODS WAREHOUSE,

Under instructions from the
N. S. W. MONTE DE PIETE DEPOSIT and INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE.
UNDER BILL OF SALE.
The Largest and Most Costly
STOCK OF NOVELTIES
ever submitted to public competition in the colonies.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

MECHANICAL TOYS
DOLLS
GAMES
COMIC TOYS

MODELS.

NOVELTIES.

LADIES' BAGS,
in
MOROCCO, RUSSIA LEATHER, and PLUSH.

The SALE will be continued
THIS DAY (THURSDAY) and FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 17 and 18.

The Public are invited to inspect this GRAND COLLECTION.

JAMES RODD and CO. are instructed by the New South Wales Monte de Piete Deposit and Investment Company, to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 7, Wynyard-street, THIS DAY (THURSDAY), and FRIDAY, December 17 and 18, commencing each day at 11 o'clock sharp.
The whole of the above valuable stock-in-trade.

TERMS LIBERAL.

Full particulars at Sale.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18th, at 11.30 sharp.

TWO-SHILLING NOVELS. TWO-SHILLING NOVELS.

GREAT SALE OF NOVELS
by favourite and well-known Authors, including works by Miss Braddon, Wilkie Collins, Besant and Rice, Hideyna, Mark Twain, Bret Harte, Anthony Trollope, Stephens Hayward, Ouida, &c., &c.

JAMES RODD and CO. will sell by auction, at their Rooms, 7, Wynyard-street, on FRIDAY, December 18th, at 11.30 sharp.
The above.

DOLLS and TOYS for
CHRISTMAS.

The newest thing in WAX DOLLS
MECHANICAL TOYS in variety
FANCY WIRE GOODS, New.

A Large Shipment for
UNRESERVED SALE.
Under Consignment to a large Mercantile Firm.

Cut and Engraved Tumblers
Magnificent Set of IRIDESCENT GLASSWARE
Very Elegant Illuminated Oarte ALBUMS,
beautifully bound in calf and gilt.

CUTLERY, PURSES, STATIONERY
PERFUMERY, FANCY SOAPS, POMADES,
&c., &c.

KELLETT and ALFORD will sell by auction at their Rooms, 14, Barrack-street, TO-DAY, Thursday, at 11, Seasonable goods, as above.

N.B.—No goods offered at these sales if reserved.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS,

PARENTS AND GUARDIANS SHOULD SECURE

A PARCEL OF THE CELEBRATED ORIENT
CLOTHING

FOR THEIR BOYS AT

DAVID JONES AND COMPANY'S

GREAT GENUINE CLEARANCE SALE FOR
CASH

THE BEST VALUE PROCURABLE IN THE
COLONY.

XMAS NUMBER of the SYDNEY MAIL. Sold everywhere. Price, 6d.

NOTICE TO THE DRAPERY TRADE.

In consequence of the DRAPERY GOODS not being landed in time to advertise for THURSDAY, 17th instant, the sale will be POSTPONED until THURSDAY, 24th instant, when all the NEW GOODS will be opened.

CHAS. MOORE and CO.,
123, Pitt-street.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 17th Instant,
at 11 o'clock sharp.

TO FANCY GOODS WAREHOUSEMEN, DRAPERS, DEALERS, &c.

UNRESERVED SALE
of
FANCY GOODS, TOYS, DOLLS (dressed and undressed)
CHRISTMAS GAMES, FANS
BAGS, PURSES, CUTLERY
BASKETWARE, BRACKETS
VASES, LUSTRES, BRUSHWARE
ALBUMS, FANCY CHINAWARE,
&c., &c.

Just landed ex Chimborazo and Brilliant.

CHAS. MOORE and CO. have been instructed to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 123, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 17th instant, at 11 o'clock sharp,
Original goods in the above, comprising—
BB in oblong.
346-346—3 cases dolls, in wood and wax, dressed and undressed
347-349—3 ditto toys, of all descriptions
350-351—2 ditto Christmas games, skittles, houses, blocks, &c.
352 —1 case fans, in great variety
353-354—2 cases brackets, photo. frames, in newest shapes
355-357—3 ditto fancy glass and china ware, assorted
358-360—3 ditto ladies' bags, reticules, purses, &c.
361-365—5 ditto lustres and vases, assorted
366-368—3 ditto coloured I.R. balls, 2½ to 6 inches
369-370—2 ditto fancy basketware, assorted
371-373—3 ditto general fancy goods, in great assortment, &c., &c.

NO RESERVE.
Terms at sale.

TO ITALIAN WAREHOUSEMEN, GROCERS, OILMEN, HOTELKEEPERS, GENERAL DEALERS, AGENTS, and
THE GENTRY OF SYDNEY.

MESSRS. CHAS. MOORE and CO. have been favoured with instructions from Messrs. R. HERLOFSEN and CO. to sell, at their Rooms, 123, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY NEXT, the 18th instant, WITHOUT RESERVE, IN ORDER TO INTRODUCE these VERY SUPERIOR CONDIMENTS,
40 cases of various French preserves, consisting of melons in vinegar, oval olives, anchovies in oil; French mustards, English mustard in French style
50 cases syrups, of finest French makes, such as lemon, gooseberry, raspberry, orange, grenadine, and cafe
These are heavy and rich syrups, superior to anything of the kind ever imported.
40 cases preserved fruits, candies, jujubes, and almonds, comprising silver and gold almonds and chocolates, liqueur bon-bouches of all descriptions, gelatines, pastilles, Vanilla drops, burnt almonds, nugats (various kinds), and a vast assortment of other sweets of the choicest description
40 cases, containing fruits in sugar, in brandy, and an natural, in tins and bottles, consisting of cherries, peaches, apricots, raspberries, pears, currants, gooseberries, Chinese fruits, reineclaud, and prunes
20 cases assorted Candied fruits, in boxes, tins, and bottles
10 cases each 1lb. fruit marmalades, in Algerian, Tonquin, and Corsican fruits
16 casks French white vinegar
5 ditto capsor, very finest
10 cases of assorted sundries of same makers.

N.B.—C. M. and Co. have much pleasure in recommending the Bon vivants, Gourmets, and Gentry of Sydney to be represented at this sale, as such a chance has never been offered before in this colony.

These goods, through the richness of their flavour and their exquisite quality, are fast supplanting the commoner English products in America and England, and this shipment is absolutely offered to the public WITHOUT RESERVE, to test the market and introduce the article.

Also, 2½ tons colonial-made confectionery, consisting of—
Humbugs, conversation lollies, mixed lollies, lollysticks, peppermints, acid drops, &c., &c.
100 cases Millar and Co.'s pickles, ex Brilliant, containing mixed, chow-chow, and onions.

100 CASES WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE
(Richards and Co.'s),
quite equal to Lea and Perrins'.

GENERAL ASSORTMENT
of
GROCERIES,
WINES and SPIRITS, &c.

NO RESERVE.
TERMS at SALE.
Preliminary Notice.

IMPORTANT
and
VERY ATTRACTIVE
SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the
AUSTRALIAN AUCTION ROOMS, SPRING-STREET,
on
TUESDAY, 22nd DECEMBER,
at 11 a.m.

By order of the
EXECUTORS of the LATE ARTHUR ALLEN, ESQ.

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
EXQUISITELY CUT GLASS
VERY BEAUTIFUL SEVRES and DRESDEN CHINA
PALLIST WARE
MAGNIFICENT BEDSTEADS and VERY SUPERIOR BEDDING.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions from the Executors of the late Arthur Allen, Esq., to sell by public auction, at the Australian Auction Rooms, Spring-street, on TUESDAY, 22nd December, at 11 a.m.,
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.

CATALOGUES WILL BE PREPARED FORTHWITH, and
FULL PARTICULARS GIVEN IN DUE COURSE.

TO PHOTOGRAPHERS.

SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the
Premises known as the SAN FRANCISCO PALACE OF ART, GEORGE-STREET, over Messrs. Poate and Harcourt's late Grocery Establishment, opposite Bank of Australasia,
on
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, at 11 a.m.,
of
Framed Portraits, Large-sized Photos of the late Bishop Barker and late Archbishop Vaughan
Sir Henry Parkes and other Public Men, in handsome frames
ALL THE NEGATIVES (about 17,000) made by the late Mr. Boyd
CAMERAS, LENSES, BACKGROUNDS, and ACCESSORIES
IRON SAFE, 2 ft. 7 x 1 ft. 9, by Taunton
HENNING'S PATENT SAFE, 3ft. 8 x 1ft. 10
The Furniture of the Reception and Dressing Rooms, &c., comprising Carpets, Bentwood Chairs, Walnut Centre Table, Mirrors, Writing Table, Gaseliers.

TO PHOTOGRAPHERS and FURNITURE BUYERS.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have received instructions to sell by auction at the above address, on THURSDAY, 24th December, at 11 a.m.,
The above described.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

THE FINE ARTS.

VERY REMARKABLE SALE by AUCTION
of
HIGH-CLASS PICTURES
at the
AUSTRALIAN AUCTION ROOMS, SPRING-STREET,
ON AN EARLY DAY.

TWENTY VERY CHOICE SUBJECTS, painted in WATER-COLOURS by the CELEBRATED
WILLIAM BENNETT.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction at the Australian Auction Rooms, on an early day
20 VERY CHOICE WATER COLOURS.

"William Bennett, who died in 1871, is universally acknowledged by capable critics to have been one of the greatest masters of his day in the English school of water-colour painting."—Extract from Bryant's Dictionary.

CONNOISSEURS and OTHERS WILL HAVE THE USUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR INSPECTION.

THIS DAY, Thursday, at 11 o'clock.

UNDER A BILL OF SALE.

AT THE LABOUR BAZAAR, PITT-STREET.

ALEXANDER MOORE and CO. have received instructions from the Bill of Sale Holder, to sell by auction,
Iron safe, copying press and stand, office desk with pigeon holes, counter, shelving, &c.
Also,
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.
Pianoforte by Broadwood
Drawing and dining room suite
Telescopic dining table, 9 feet
Extensive sideboard, carpets, fenders and irons
150 Austrian chairs, assorted sizes, from 14½ to 20½
Wardrobes, chests drawers, washstands and sets
Toilet tables and glasses
Glass, China, and crockery
Kitchen furniture and utensils
1 very superior gas stove, by Wallis and Co., of Melbourne
Baths, sundries, &c., &c.

Also,
ON ACCOUNT OF THE UNDERWRITERS,
at 1 p.m.,
10 cases of fancy goods, consisting of toys, plain and mechanical, ornaments, cutlery, &c., &c.

Terms, cash.
DARLINGTON.

ANDREW ALLAN has received instructions from Thomas Shade, Esq., to sell by auction (on account of whom it may concern), on the Premises, No. 8, Raglan-street, off Alma-street, Darlington, on FRIDAY, at 11 o'clock,
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
Tables, chairs, couches, carpets
Bedsteads, chests of drawers
Washstands and sets, toilet tables and glasses
Books, pictures, clothing, &c. lamps
Lot canary cages
Kitchen utensils.

Terms, cash. No reserve.
Office—143, King-street.

THE PLATEAU, MOUNT RAMSAY, Narrabeen Lakes. Read all to-morrow's advertisements.

WATER FRONTAGES.—Next SATURDAY, CARLTON PARK, Kogarah Bay. Watkin and Watkin.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17th.

To Grocers, Storekeepers, Hotelkeepers, Providores, and others.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

100 CASES ¼ and ⅛ SARDINES
400 BOXES 8PERM CANDLES
100 HALF-CHESTS NEW SEASON TEAS
200 POCKETS SUGAR
10 CASES QUEENSLAND ARROWROOT
25 BAGS PEARL BARLEY
200 CASES ROUND PICKLES
25 CASES PRESERVED GINGER
20 CASES DRIED DITTO
25 CASES CURRANTS
3 CASES MANILLA CIGARS
100 CASES HOP BITTERS
50 CASES LAGER BEER
20 CASES HAM-CURED RED HERRINGS.
&c., &c.

NATHAN COHEN and CO. have received instructions from the Importers to sell the above by auction at their Rooms, Barrack-street, THIS DAY, December 17th, at 11 o'clock.

Terms at Sale.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18.

To Ironmongers, Contractors, Shippers, and others.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

672 CASES WIRE NAILS,
assorted sizes,
in good order and condition.

NATHAN COHEN and CO. have received instructions to sell the above by auction, at their Rooms, Barrack-street, on FRIDAY, December 18, at 11 o'clock.

Terms at Sale.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18.

To Ironmongers, Hardware Firms, Contractors, Builders, and others.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

85 Cases CORRUGATED IRON, Stork brand, 6 to 10 feet
45 ditto ditto ditto, Morewood's, ditto
25 ditto ditto ditto, 6 to 9 feet.

TO CLOSE ACCOUNTS.

NATHAN COHEN and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Rooms, Barrack-street, on FRIDAY, December 18, at 11 o'clock.
150 cases galvanised corrugated iron,
as above.

Terms at Sale.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18,
at 11 o'clock.

At the City Mart.

BARQUE NORTHERN STAR.

AUCTION SALE,
by order of the mortgagee.

Full Particulars in Shipping Column.
FRASER and CO.,
Auctioneers.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22.

AT THE CITY MART,
at 3 o'clock.

AROMATIC TOBACCOS.

27 CASES WELCOME NUGGET TOBACCO.

T. C. Williams and Co.'s
Manufacture.

The finest ever imported.

27 CASES WELCOME NUGGET AROMATIC TOBACCO,
consisting
Pocket pieces, 14s, 18s, 12s, and 11s, 6 to pound
5s. 6 to pound; 5s. 7 to pound
12-inch Gold Bars
4oz. Gold Blocks
12oz. lbs.

50 Cases Victory Tobacco
18 Ditto Hero ditto
10 Ditto Gold Coin ditto
6 Ditto Lone Jack Cigarettes
4 Ditto White Oak Mountain Leaf Tobacco.

Samples exhibited at sale.

FRASER and CO. will sell the above by auction, at their Rooms, under instructions from Messrs. R. Towns and Co., on TUESDAY, December 22nd, at 3 o'clock.

STANMORE.

THIS DAY, December 17, at 11 o'clock.
On the Premises, EMILY-STREET, nearly opposite
WEMYSS-STREET, STANMORE.
Highly Attractive SALE of Elegant HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Effects, comprising—
Brussels Carpets, Oilcloth
Handsome DRAWING-ROOM SUITE in figured Silk
MAGNIFICENT COTTAGE PIANOFORTE, full compass, in Italian Walnut case, iron bound, overstrung, with all latest improvements, by Carl Zoke
Elegant PIER GLASSES, Choice Engravings
WALNUT INLAID TABLES, Canterbury, Davenports
Handsome Gilt Cornices, Lace Curtains
DINING-ROOM SUITE, in Morocco, Book Cases
LIBRARY OF BOOKS, Sideboard
Double and Single TUBULAR BEDSTEADS
Spring, Hair, and Kapok Mattresses
MASSIVE WINGED WARDROBES, plateglass doors
Elegant DUCHESS TOILETS and Ware
Cedar Chests Drawers, Commodes
Bedroom Couch, Austrian Chairs
Glass, China, Cutlery, and E. P. Ware
Kitchen and Laundry Utensils, &c.

The furniture being nearly new, is strongly recommended to parties furnishing.

JOHN S. LAVERACK is instructed by the proprietor to sell by auction, as above,

Office—379, Pitt-street, near School of Arts.

TUESDAY NEXT, 22nd Instant.

CAVENDISH-STREET, STANMORE,
adjoining
HUGHENDEN TERRACE.

Unreserved Auction Sale of
SUPERIOR AND USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
AND EFFECTS,
Splendid Oil Paintings, Engravings, &c., B.H. Suite of 9 pieces, Walnut Centre Table, Carpets, superior 8-day Clocks, first-class Cedar Bookcase, Mason, Cash's back Austrian Chairs, Massive Cedar Sideboard (5 feet), Bedsteads, &c., &c., Poultry, about 20 good Fowls, &c.

UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.

WM. CRANE, Jun., has received instructions to sell by auction, on TUESDAY NEXT, at the Residence, Cavendish-street, Stanmore,
Household furniture, &c.

Terms Cash. No reserve.

HURSTVILLE.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, at 2 o'clock.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, COWS, PIGS, POULTRY, OUTDOOR EFFECTS, and Useful Sundries.

T. PHILLIPS has been favoured with instructions from Edward Holland, Esq., to sell by auction, on the Premises, DUMBLETON, corner of Stoney Creek-road and Gloucester-road, Hurstville,
The household furniture of the residence, comprising the drawing and dining room, appointments, ornamental items, table cover, single and double tubular bedsteads, horsehair mattresses, cedar chests of drawers, duchesse dressing-tables, marble-top washstands, kitchen utensils, outdoor effects, cows, breeding sows, porkers, young geese, fowls, two 400-gallon tanks, &c.
Catalogues forwarded by post on application.
Terms, cash. No reserve.
T. PHILLIPS, Auctioneer and Valuator,
123, King-street, Newtown.

UNRESERVED PLEDGES.

THIS DAY, Thursday, Dec. 17, at 11 o'clock, and following days.
IMPORTANT and ATTRACTIVE SALE by AUCTION.
By order of the N. S. W. Monte de Piete D. and L. Company, Limited,
On the Premises, 100, 102, 104, and 106, Castlereagh-street, near King-street, of
Single-stone and Half-hoop DIAMOND RINGS
Silver and Gold English LEVER WATCHES
Gold CHRONOGRAPHS, Gold Hunting GENEVAS
Diamond Sets, Dress and Signet Rings, Gold and Silver Necklets and Lockets, Gold Solitaires and Diamond Studs, Gents' and Ladies' Gold Albert, &c., Opera and Field Glasses, Books, Revolvers, several high-class Breech-loading Guns, Musical Instruments, Cameras, &c.

UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.

H. L. DUNN and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, on the Premises of the N. S. W. Mont de Piete D. and L. Company, Limited, of 100, 102, 104, and 106, Castlereagh-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, December 17, at 11 o'clock, and following days, Jewellery and sundries, as above.

UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.

H. L. DUNN and SON will sell by auction, at their Rooms, 274, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
The unredeemed pledges pawned with Mr. Isaac Davis, of Liverpool-street, consisting of clothing, sheets, boots, rugs, quilts, &c.

UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.

H. L. DUNN and SON will sell by auction, at their Rooms, 274, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
The unredeemed pledges pawned with Mr. Joseph Davis, of Park-street, consisting of clothing, boots, blankets, sheets, rugs, quilts, &c.

CARRINGTON HEIGHTS, Randwick.—Grand Views. Sale next SATURDAY. RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

WATER FRONTAGES.—Next SATURDAY, CARLTON PARK, Kogarah Bay. Watkin and Watkin.

THE PLATEAU, MOUNT RAMSAY, Narrabeen Lakes. Read all to-morrow's advertisements.

REMEMBER HOOPER'S GARDENS SALE on SATURDAY, the last opportunity this year. Mills and Pile.

CHINA, Glass, and Earthenware at 4s in the £ reduction during Sale. BRAY BROTHERS.

TOURISTS' AND TRAVELLERS' REQUISITES,

GLADSTONE BAGS, HAND BAGS,

PORTMANTEAUS, OVERLAND TRUNKS, TIN TRUNKS.

RUGS, WRAPS, COMFORTABLE TRAVELLERS' WATERPROOFS.

DRESSING CASES, DRESSING COMPANIONS, &c.

GREATLY REDUCED AT

DAVID JONES AND COMPANY'S

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE.

MONS. HENRI KOWALSKI will play two solos at Mr. Hallewell's Concert TO-NIGHT.

MARKLODGE

5 MINUTES' WALK FROM FAIRFIELD STATION.

250 ACRES of the RICHEST SOIL
in the
COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND,
subdivided
into BLOCKS of from ½ to 7 ACRES,
having
WATER FRONTAGES, WATER FRONTAGES,
thus
giving the advantages of
BOATING, BATHING, SHOOTING,
and
FISHING.

LARGE BLOCKS. WIDE STREETS.

10 PER CENT. DEPOSIT. 10 YEARS' TERMS.

TITLE to be TORRENS' ACT.

FREE SPECIAL TRAIN at 2.15 p.m.

TO Gentlemen requiring land for residences away from the City and near Suburbs.
To Fruit-growers, large Poultry-farmers, and others, the Sale of MARK LODGE offers EXCEPTIONAL INDUCEMENTS.

SPLENDID SITES for GENTLEMEN'S RESIDENCES.

VALUABLE ORCHARD and VINEYARD BLOCKS.

The RICHEST SOIL in the LOCALITY.

BATT, RODD, and PURVES have received instructions to sell by public auction,
ON THE GROUND,
NEXT SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 19th DECEMBER,
at 3 p.m.,
That magnificent estate, situate close to FAIRFIELD STATION, known as
"MARK LODGE."

NEXT SATURDAY, 19th DECEMBER.

This splendid Estate has long been famous as the Choicest Property in this celebrated
ORCHARD and VINEYARD DISTRICT.

The SOIL is SPECIALLY ADAPTED for the GROWTH of the VINE (as evidenced by the flourishing VINEYARDS around the ESTATE),
and the
WATER SUPPLY is SUFFICIENT for ALL SEASONS, there being DAMS, CREEKS, and RIVULETS on the Estate.

The whole area is 250 ACRES, which has been liberally subdivided by Mr. Licensed Surveyor C. B. Dawson, of 68, Pitt-street, into areas of from ½ to 7 ACRES, fronting the WOODVILLE (or Dog Trap) ROAD, and CHAIN WIDE STREETS.

The TITLE will be TORRENS' ACT,
and
The TERMS EXTRAORDINARILY LIBERAL.
viz.,
10 PER CENT. DEPOSIT, 10 per cent. in 3 months, balance by 7 EQUAL YEARLY PAYMENTS. Interest at rate of 6 per cent.
or
10 PER CENT. DEPOSIT, balance by equal, or MONTHLY, or QUARTERLY PAYMENTS, extending over 5, 7, or 10 years. Interest at rate of 6 per cent. on yearly rests.

FREE TICKETS (for ADULTS only) may be obtained from the Auctioneers.

PLANS at the Rooms.

Solicitors to the Estate,
Messrs. CURTISS and BARRY,
King-street.

The SPECIAL TRAIN will leave Redfern Station at 2.15 p.m., and pick up passengers at
NEWTOWN, PETERSHAM, BURWOOD, and GRANVILLE.

Sale—NEXT SATURDAY, 19th December,
at 3 p.m.

MARKLODGE

MARK LODGE, FAIRFIELD.

NEXT SATURDAY
The SPECIAL TRAIN leaves Redfern Station at 2.15 p.m.,
picking up at Newtown, Petersham, Burwood, and Granville.
FREE PASSES, for adults only, from
BATT, RODD, and PURVES.

LOOK OUT FOR CARRINGTON HEIGHTS.

MANLY, LOVELY MANLY.

HUNTLEY and BARNARD,
161, Pitt-street.

SUNNY C

Auction Sales.

ORDER OF SALE.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 17th DECEMBER,
by
MILLS and PILE,
at their
SYDNEY AUCTION MART,
130, PITT-STREET,
at half-past 11 o'clock.

TERMS AT SALE.

SUMMER HILL. Two Detached Brick-built Houses, each 8 rooms, kitchen, &c., on land 51 x 200, Kensington-street.

CITY, Surry Hills. Two small Brick Houses, each 4 rooms and kitchen, Nos. 64 and 66, Marshall-street, on land 94 x 65 and 77 feet in depth; let at 14s per week each. Torrens' title.

RANDWICK. An Allotment of Land, 33 feet frontage to Frenchman's-road, by 95 to 97 feet in depth, near Mr. Whiting's.

CAMPERDOWN, Parramatta-road. Three Business Sites, each 16 feet frontage to Parramatta-road, opposite Missenden-road, by 100 feet in depth to Purkis-street; two frontages. Torrens' title.

MANLY. A Grand Block of Land, 40 acres (more or less) known as The Oaks, suitable for a company or building society.

A fine Subdivision Block, 11 acres, Manly suburb, Queenscliffe heights, overlooking the Ocean.

DURAL. 500-acre Block of Land, part of George Acre's grant, on the main road from Parramatta to Wiseman's Ferry; easy terms; splendid timber.

*** PITTWATER.** TWO CHOICE BLOCKS. Lot 3 of Pittwater Estate, 128¼ acres, and lot 4, 65 acres, together with homestead and improvements, known as KRETCHMAN'S FARM.

PARRAMATTA RIVER, Greenwich. Grand Wharf Frontage of 300 feet to deep water, 357 feet street frontage, by 266 feet in depth. A RARE CHANCE.

ROSE BAY. LARGE STONE MANSION, 16 rooms, &c., &c., and 2 acres of land; extensive frontages to Rose Bay and the South Head-road.

NEPEAN TOWERS. A MAGNIFICENT PROPERTY. Noble mansion, 5000 acres of land, extensive frontages to the Nepean River, near Douglas Park railway station. In the estate of the late Dr. Jenkins.

BURRADOO. Two Mountain Villas, each 15 acres land, faithfully built, and well improved, between Bowral and Moss Vale.

Seven Blocks of Land, of 4 and 5 acres each; fine sites for country residences; Holly and Spring roads, and road to Bowral.

ELEMWOOD.—250 Acres of first-class orchard, &c.; land on main road to Moss Vale. In lots to suit purchasers.

FIELD OF MARS. A Block of Land containing 4 acres, being portion 239, not far from Page's Wharf.

PETERSHAM. TWO CHOICE BUILDING SITES, each 16 feet by 88 feet, at the corner of Catherine and Short streets, just off the Parramatta-road.

Full particulars at the Rooms.

THURSDAY, the 17th INSTANT.

MANLY SUBURB, QUEENSCLIFFE HEIGHTS.

For AUCTION SALE, at the MART
130, Pitt-street,
THURSDAY, the 17th instant, at half-past 11 o'clock,

A GRAND SUBDIVISION BLOCK,

OVERLOOKING the OCEAN, 11 ACRES in EXTENT.

For particulars apply to
MILLS and PILE, 130, Pitt-street.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 17th DECEMBER.

BURRADOO, BURRADOO,
between
BOWRAL and MOSS VALE,
near the country residence provided for Lord Carrington, our new Governor.
TWO NEWLY-ERECTED VILLAS,
with about
15 ACRES of LAND EACH,
fenced and improved,
NEAR THE RAILWAY STATION,
and adjacent the residences of S. A. Stephen, Dr. Chisholm, G. S. Caird, and the Hon. John Macintosh.

35 ACRES of LAND
in
BLOCK of 4 and 5 ACRES.
FINE SOIL.
NEVER-FAILING SPRINGS of GOOD WATER.
GOOD ROADS.

ELEMWOOD.

250 ACRES of LAND,
three miles from Moss Vale,
in
ONE, TWO, or THREE BLOCKS,
close to
the country seats of H. Throsby, Esq., the Messrs. Fairfax, and the mail coach passes the property every day along the main road to Fitzroy Falls.

MILLS and PILE have been instructed by the Hon. John Lackey to sell by auction, at the Sydney Auction Mart, 130, Pitt-street, Sydney, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 17th December, at 11.30,
The BALANCE of the well-known HOLLY PARK ESTATE, at the station, BURRADO,
comprising
TWO NEWLY-ERECTED VILLAS, built under the Messrs. Mansfield Brothers, architects, Sydney.

These villas were designed so as to meet the requirements of gentlemen desiring a country retreat, or for families who may wish to live in the salubrious south country, close to a railway station.
Each villa contains 8 rooms, and has a stable, coachhouse, man's room, and loft attached.
The GROUNDS surrounding each house comprise some 15 acres, laid out and improved.
The incoming hot weather, and its oppression along the coast, should make these desirable retreats for the summer, where beautiful cool nights, at an elevation of nearly 3000 feet, can be always enjoyed.

SEVEN BLOCKS of 4 and 5 ACRES,
between the residence of the Hon. John Macintosh and the railway fronting Spring-road, Holly-road, and the main road to Bowral.
These BLOCKS are BEAUTIFUL SITUATIONS for COUNTRY RESIDENCES, where all the English fruits can be grown to perfection.

ELEMWOOD.
250 ACRES of SPLENDID LAND, on the MAIN ROAD from MOSS VALE.
This LAND can be purchased in one or nine blocks, to suit various classes of buyers. FIRST-CLASS ORCHARD and CULTIVATION LAND.
TITLE, FREEHOLD. TERMS EASY.

SUMMER HILL.

THIS DAY, 17th DECEMBER.

TWO SUPERIOR DETACHED HOUSES,
situate in
KENSINGTON-STREET, near SUMMER HILL STATION. They are built of brick on stone foundations, each containing Drawing and Dining Rooms, 3 bedrooms, kitchen, washhouse, pantry, bathroom, and every modern convenience; also, Promenade on the roof, commanding grand views; LAND having 51 feet frontage to Kensington-street, by 200 feet in depth.
Torrens' Title.
Terms can be arranged.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions from the Proprietor, to sell by auction, at their Mart, 130, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the 17th December, at 11.30,
TWO SUPERIOR HOUSES,
As above.
BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTORS.

PARRAMATTA-ROAD, CAMPERDOWN.

THIS DAY, 17th DECEMBER.

THREE BUSINESS ALLOTMENTS,
each having 16 feet frontage to the Parramatta-road, opposite MISSENDEN-ROAD, by a depth of 100 FEET to Purkis-street.

Freehold Title. Terms at Sale.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions from the Executors to sell by public auction, at their Mart, 130, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the 17th DECEMBER, at 11.30,
THREE BUSINESS SITES,
opposite
THE MISSENDEN-ROAD, CAMPERDOWN.

TO TIMBER MERCHANTS and SPECULATORS.

500 ACRES. 500 ACRES.

THIS DAY, 17th DECEMBER.

THE GRANDEST TIMBER LAND
in
DURAL,
Carefully preserved during all the past years,
part of Acres'
GRANT OF 1500 ACRES
on the
MAIN ROAD FROM PARRAMATTA TO WISEMAN'S FERRY.
Small portion planted as an Orchard, and the property well watered.
12 miles from Parramatta,
and 6 miles from the Newcastle Railway.

MILLS and PILE have been instructed by Mr. H. W. Rust to sell by auction, at the Sydney Auction Mart, 130, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the 17th DECEMBER, at half-past 11 o'clock,
500 ACRES OF VALUABLE TIMBER LAND
and
GOOD SOIL AT DURAL,
being
Part of George Acres's grant of 1500 acres, almost the only large block of original timbered land in the district, comprising the most valuable of the indigenous timbers for which the Dural Hills have always been celebrated.

TITLE FREEHOLD.

TERMS:
¼ cash, the balance by bills at 6, 12, and 18 months, with 6 per cent. interest.

Plans in preparation.

A TRULY MAGNIFICENT PROPERTY.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 17th DECEMBER.

THE FAMOUS NEPEAN TOWERS ESTATE,
long known as the property and
RESIDENCE OF THE LATE DR. JENKINS.
It consists of about
5000 ACRES of FREEHOLD LAND,
within half a mile of the
DOUGLAS PARK RAILWAY STATION,
and has an
EXTENSIVE FRONTAGE TO THE NEPEAN RIVER.
The
MAGNIFICENT MASSIVE STONE MANSION,
in the
TUDOR STYLE,
with Chapel attached,
and with its
MILE OF BEAUTIFUL AVENUE,
is the only approach to
A BARONIAL MANSION
in
NEW SOUTH WALES.

This PROPERTY was originally a grant from the Crown to the late General Sir THOMAS LIVINGSTONE MITCHELL, Surveyor-General of New South Wales, and then known as PARK HALL, and was purchased by the late Dr. Jenkins about 25 years ago, and now known as
NEPEAN TOWERS.
ON THIS ESTATE
there are
SEVERAL GRAND MANSION SITES,
there being ample room for each
to be surrounded by
PARK LANDS with BEAUTIFUL SCENERY.

TERMS at SALE.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions from the Executors of the late Dr. Jenkins to sell by public auction, at their Sydney Auction Mart, 130, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, the 17th DECEMBER, at half-past 11 o'clock,
The above
WELL-KNOWN and HIGHLY-IMPROVED
ESTATE.

THE MANSION
stands on an eminence surrounded by beautiful park-like undulation land, and commands pleasing and EXTENSIVE VIEWS of the VALLEY of the NEPEAN and surrounding country, including the well-known
RAZOR-BACK and BLUE MOUNTAINS.
It is
A HANDSOME ARCHITECTURAL STONE BUILDING
in the style of the Tudor period, approached from Douglass Park through a noble avenue, over a mile long, of double rows of pine trees.
It contains
18 rooms, most of them large and lofty,
besides kitchens, storerooms, china and linen closets, cellar, and all other conveniences necessary for a gentleman's residence.
ON THE GROUND FLOOR is a spacious entrance hall, opening into large and lofty drawing-room, dining-room, library, and schoolroom. From the hall a stone staircase ascends to a handsome lobby, giving access to the principal bedrooms and other apartments.
THE PRINCIPAL RECEPTION ROOMS have very handsome massive fireplaces and sculptured mantel-pieces corresponding with the architecture of the house.
From the back hall there is access to an ELEGANTLY PROPORTIONED OCTAGON TOWER, over 70 feet high, a winding stone staircase leading to the summit, from whence a magnificent view is obtained. The tower staircase is also the means of communication with the servants' apartments and other rooms in that part of the house. There is also a smaller SQUARE TOWER, containing man servant's bedroom, &c. Electric bells are fitted throughout the house, and the stables are connected with the house by telephone. Attached to the mansion is a
BEAUTIFUL CHAPEL
with gothic stone mullion windows with stained glass. The floor is laid with encaustic tiles, and ALL THE FITTINGS of the interior are POLISHED KAURI PINE, the reading-desk and other portions being handsomely carved. It is APPROACHED BY A COLONNADE, 12 feet wide, with stone flagging extending from the front entrance along two sides of the house, and consisting of stone columns with carved capitols, from which spring massive arches supporting a battlemented parapet, giving the whole a picturesque and imposing appearance.
THE OUT-BUILDINGS.
A short distance from the house is a RANGE OF STONE buildings, corresponding in style of architecture, containing stables, coachhouses, stores, &c. At the rear is a COMFORTABLE COTTAGE for coachman; also, CATTLE SHEDS, blacksmith's shop, stockyards, and the usual accessories of a country estate.
THE WATER SUPPLY.
In front of these buildings there is a large sheet of ornamental water, round the margin of which are planted willows, bamboos, and other suitable trees, ensuring a never-failing supply of water for the use of that part of the establishment; and at the back of the house are placed large galvanised iron tanks, and there is a very capacious underground reservoir, containing an ample supply of water in the driest season.
SURROUNDING THE HOUSE ON ALL SIDES
are well laid out
EXTENSIVE GARDENS and SHRUBBERIES,
planted with choice varieties of flowering plants and shrubs; also, TENNIS LAWN, HOTHOUSES, BUSHHOUSE, EXCELLENT KITCHEN and FRUIT GARDENS, small vineyard, &c.
THE ESTATE,
which extends on all sides, is graphically and concisely described in the Sydney Illustrated News of the 18th May, 1854:—"A PRINCELY DEMESNE SURROUNDS THE MANSION, PRESENTING, IN ITS DIVERSIFIED BEAUTY OF TREES AND LAWN, ALL THE APPEARANCE OF AN ENGLISH PARK." Since then Dr. Jenkins expended very large sums in improving the property. It can be truly said that scarcely in New South Wales another estate can compare with
NEPEAN TOWERS
in its resemblance to an English park. In fact, to describe it briefly, yet completely, one need only say that it is AN ENGLISH MANSION AND ESTATE REMOVED TO NEW SOUTH WALES.

For further particulars and cards to view apply to
MILLS and PILE, Auctioneers,
130, Pitt-street, Sydney.

ROSE BAY.

THIS DAY, 17th INSTANT.

SPLENDID WATER FRONTAGE PROPERTY,
ROSE BAY.

LARGE MANSION,
built of stone, containing 16 rooms, stabling, coachhouse,
and
TWO ACRES OF LAND,
having
OVER 500 FEET FRONTAGE TO THE SOUTH HEAD-ROAD and ROSE BAY.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Mart, 130, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the 17th DECEMBER, at 11.30,
LARGE MANSION and 2 ACRES of LAND,
as above.
THE MANSION is two stories, built of stone, containing large entrance hall, balcony facing the water, 11 rooms, besides dining-room, 8 of them very lofty; kitchen, bathroom, 2 storerooms, pantry, double coachhouse, man's room, and loft; stables (3 stalls), and fowlhouse. Plenty of water, and every accommodation.
THE LAND comprises TWO ACRES, having EXTENSIVE FRONTAGE to the SOUTH HEAD-ROAD and ROSE BAY.
For full particulars and cards to view, apply to
MILLS and PILE,
130, Pitt-street.

THIS DAY, the 17th instant.

MANLY COVE.

GRAND SUBDIVISION BLOCK.

THE OAKS.

FRONTING THE OCEAN BEACH,
and
CLOSE to DEWHY LAGOON.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Mart, 130, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the 17th December, at half-past 11 o'clock,
THAT BEAUTIFUL BLOCK of LAND
known as
THE OAKS,
situate in
the PARISH of MANLY COVE, and comprises
40 ACRES LAND, more or less,
bounded on the north by Miss Jenkins' property, on the west by Wheeler's grant, on the east by the ocean, and on the south by the land now being subdivided for the purpose of sale by the Government.
This is one of THE MOST CHARMING SPOTS on the coast, and is but a short distance beyond Manly. The soil is the richest description, and the foliage unequalled in the district.
Terms at sale.

TO BUILDING SOCIETIES, SPECULATORS, INVESTORS.

THIS DAY, DECEMBER 17,
at 11.30.

PITTWATER.

TWO VERY CHOICE BLOCKS,
being LOTS III. and IV.
of the
NORTH DIVISION
of the
PITTWATER ESTATE.

Lot III., containing 128 acres 1 rood 34 perches
Lot IV., containing 65 acres 0 roods 34 perches,
making a total area of 193 acres 2 roods 28 perches of choice farming land, very suitable for profitable subdivision.

Title, Freehold. Terms at Sale.

PLANS at the Rooms.

MILLS and PILE have been instructed by the proprietor, Herr Joseph Kretchmann, to sell by auction, at the Sydney Auction Mart, 130, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, December 17, at 11.30,
That very choice property known as
KRETCHMANN'S FARM,
containing a total area of 195 acres 2 roods 28 perches, two sides of which are fenced with a two-rail fence.
The HOMESTEAD
consists of two slab cottages, roofed with iron, one containing 4 rooms and the other 3 rooms, besides which there are various sheds for cattle, pigs, poultry, &c.
There are also two paddocks, one of 6 and the other of 8 acres newly fenced, with a 6-barbed wire fence, and cleared ready for cultivation.
There is a plentiful supply of water on the property, while the land has a frontage to the main road of 1678 feet by a great depth to the waters of Broken Bay, to which it has also a large frontage.
Fine views of the Hawkesbury River and the ocean, at same time well sheltered from adverse winds. The tramway on the Military-road is expected to pass through the farm, and it is only 10 minutes' walk from Clarevile Pier, Pittwater.

Grand block for subdivision purposes.

FIELD OF MARS.

THIS DAY, 17th DECEMBER.

4-ACRE BLOCK OF LAND,
being
Portion 239 of Plan of Subdivision.

MILLS and PILE have been instructed to sell by public auction at their Mart, 130, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the 17th December, at 11.30,
4-ACRE BLOCK OF LAND, as above.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 17th DECEMBER.

GREENWICH.

NORTH SIDE OF SYDNEY HARBOUR.

GRAND MANUFACTURING SITE.
To Wharf Owners
Boatbuilders
Timber Merchants
And others.
300 FEET WATER FRONTAGE,
Reclamation right secured.
357 FEET STREET FRONTAGE,
266 feet depth.
TITLE, FREEHOLD.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions to sell by auction, in the Sydney Auction Mart, 130, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, 17th December, at 11.30 o'clock,
That grand manufacturing site having
300 FEET DEEP WATER FRONTAGE,
with reclamation right secured to the Parramatta River by a depth of 266 feet, and
357 FEET STREET FRONTAGE.
Upon the land is 150 feet of good stone wharf ready for the loading of vessels and the landing of goods.

A CHANCE SELDOM MET WITH.
Terms at sale.
PLAN on view at the Rooms.

MILLS and PILE, Auctioneers.

NORTH SHORE.

SATURDAY, the 19th DECEMBER.

SIX CHOICE VILLA SITES.

KIRRIBILLI POINT,
surrounded by some of the best residences of the place, and having fine views of the harbour, and equivalent to water frontages
NEXT THE ROWING CLUB BOATHOUSE,

3 LOTS FRONTING WILLOUGHBY-STREET,
of 30 feet each by depths of 114 to 134 feet.

These are among the best spots on the north side of the Point, and have charming views, which cannot be built out. THE LAND IS GOOD GRASSY SWARD.

3 LOTS FRONTING CARRABELLA-STREET,
of 36 feet each by 120 to 146 feet in depth.
On the Northern end of the Eastern Lots are
FOUR HOUSES, semi-detached, two-storey each, the two on the last lot realising £36 per annum each.
These houses are rent-producing without in any way interfering with the frontage for building purposes, and for a terrace there is ample land, and they would let at the best rents.

MILLS and PILE have been instructed to sell, ON THE GROUND, NEXT SATURDAY, 19th December, at half-past 3 o'clock,
SIX ALLOTMENTS OF LAND
being
Nos. 1, 2, 3, 17, 18, 19, of the HERMITAGE ESTATE.

TERMS AT SALE.
TITLE, FREEHOLD.
Plans at the Rooms.

RANDWICK, near WAVERLEY.

NEXT SATURDAY, the 19th DECEMBER,

ON THE GROUND, ORANGE-STREET,
near Hooper's Gardens.

FAMILY RESIDENCE, DETACHED,
known as
BROOKLYN.

THE HOUSE is built of brick on stone foundations, slate roof, containing 10 rooms, bathroom, laundry, &c.
THE LAND has about 45 feet frontage to Orange-street by depth of about 185 feet, fenced, and with stable, coachhouse, &c.

Torrens' Title—Terms, ¼ cash; balance at 2 years.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions to sell by public auction, on the GROUND, on SATURDAY AFTERNOON, the 19th December, after the sale of Hooper's Gardens,
BROOKLYN, FAMILY RESIDENCE,
Orange-street, five minutes from the
CHARING CROSS.

FOLKESTONE ESTATE.

STANMORE.

AUCTION SALE,

On the GROUND,

NEXT SATURDAY.

GENTLEMEN and OTHERS
in SEARCH of a
SUPERIOR RESIDENCE,
should attend the
SALE
of
FOLKESTONE.

OUSE and GROUNDS (ONE ACRE),

The HOUSE contains:—
ON THE GROUND FLOOR,
LARGE HALL,
DRAWING and DINING ROOMS,
Library, and Breakfast Room,
Kitchen, Smoking-room,
Scullery, &c., &c.

ON THE FIRST FLOOR,
Hall, 5 Bedrooms, Clothes Closet,
Balconies, Bathroom, &c.

THE OUTHOUSES
consist of
Stables and Coachhouse,
Cellars, &c.
Fernhouse,
Summer House.

THE GROUNDS
(consisting of One Acre)
ARE ALL
BEAUTIFULLY LAID OUT,
and are in
EXCELLENT ORDER.

DO NOT FAIL TO INSPECT THIS
MAGNIFICENT ESTATE.

CLOSE TO TRAM, TRAIN, AND 'BUS.

THE REMAINDER OF THE ESTATE
has been subdivided into
23 LOTS.

NOTE THE TERMS:
10 per cent. deposit,
15 per cent. in 3 months without interest,
and the balance by quarterly payments
extending over two years, with interest at
6 per cent.

HUGH DUFF has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON THE GROUND,
on
SATURDAY,
19th DECEMBER, 1885.
At 3 o'clock.

CALL FOR LITHOS.

CALL
for
LITHOS.

HUGH DUFF,
Auctioneer,
115, Pitt-street.

SATURDAY, December 19, 1885.
On the Grounds, at 3 o'clock.

62 and 64, Pitt-street, Redfern.

GIBBS and CO. have received instructions to submit to public auction, on the above date,
The following desirable properties:—
63, Pitt-street, Redfern.—Semi-detached Brick house, with every convenience, producing rental 30s weekly
64, Pitt-street, Redfern.—Snug cottage, containing 5 rooms, kitchen, &c., producing rental 15s weekly.
Title leasehold, 77 years to run; ground-rent whole, £19 16s.
Those desiring good investment should inspect the property, being in good state of repair and in a first-class letting neighbourhood.
Further particulars from the Auctioneers,
Bond-street-chambers,
Sydney.

FOR SALE, at ROBERTSON,
the
ROBERTSON HOTEL,
now doing a large business, and capable of further extensions.

SALE DAY,
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19,
at 2 o'clock sharp.

Conditions of sale are that the purchaser of the hotel shall take the stock in trade at cost price, and the furniture at a valuation.

Terms for Hotel are—¼ cash deposit, ¼ on completion of the purchase, and the balance may remain for a term of years, at 7 per cent., secured in the usual way.

Terms for stock and furniture are—¼ cash deposit, and the balance by pro. note at four months.

The Property is a Freehold, consisting of half-an-acre, on which are erected the Robertson Hotel, containing 13 rooms, with kitchen attached, at the rear of which stands a building of six rooms.

The Stabling is very complete, having a frontage of 102 feet, divided into boxes and stalls. Also, every convenience for buggies and coaches.

DAVID MOFFITT has been favoured with instructions from Mr. William Hanrahan to sell by auction,
ON THE PREMISES,
on above date,
The above valuable property, now doing a large, steady business, and capable of large extension.

Special attention is directed to the following facts:

It is the only hotel in the town.

It is centrally situated for the travelling public between the coast and inland towns.

Also in the midst of a closely-inhabited agricultural district, thus stamping it the best business stand in this progressive district, which is likely to be connected with the metropolis by rail.

INSPECTION INVITED.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AND SOUVENIRS,
A CHARMING VARIETY OF THESE GOODS
AT DAVID JONES AND COMPANY'S
GREAT GENUINE SALE FOR CASH.
PRIOR TO PULLING DOWN THESE PREMISES.

ORDER OF SALE.

CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at our Rooms, at 11.30 a.m.,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY.

SURRY HILLS. Shop, No. 393, Crown-street, between Foveaux and Collins streets.

PARK-ROAD, Moore Park. Klets and Karoola, two first-class family residences on Park-road, west of Regent-street. In one or two lots. Key at our Rooms.

PADDINGTON. Small Residence, No. 5, Windsor-street, between Elizabeth and Cascade streets, Underwood Estate.

PADDINGTON. Two Residences in Liverpool-street, close to Glenmore-road.

DARLINGTON. House No. 1, Calder-road, and Cottage No. 3, Edward-lane, at the rear.

GEORGE-STREET WEST. Block of Land, with House thereon, Greeve's-lane, a little beyond Tooth's Kent Brewery.

COOGEE. Three Grants, viz., 10, 12, and 13 sec. 13, fronting Mount and Dolphin streets. Area, about ¼ acre each.

MARRICKVILLE. Cottage Residence, known as Brixton Villa, with over 1½ acres of good land, Livingstone-road and Pile-street.

NEWTOWN. Three Houses, Hordern-street, known as Wesley-terrace, Nos. 1, 3, and 5.

WILLOUGHBY. Woodcock's Grant of 10 acres, fronting a road between Lane Cove River and Bridge-road, beyond the new bridge. In the estate late Mr. Robert Pennington.

WILLOUGHBY. 25 Acres fronting the Lane Cove River, known as Hockhardt's two Grants, beyond the new bridge, and opposite Field of Mars Common.

PEARCE'S-CORNER, Lane Cove. Splendid subdivision Block, 170 acres, portion of the well-known Estate of the late Mr. John Brown. By order of the Executors.

BALMAIN. Those substantial and valuable business premises known as the Balmain Dispensary, at the corner of Darling-street and Adolphus-street.

WAVERLEY. Corner Shop and five Houses, corner of Newland and Spring streets, Evitt Estate, close to South Head-road.

SUMMER HILL. Terrace of five Houses, in Spring-street, adjoining the above.

CROYDON. Cottage Residence, at the corner of Moonbie and Regent streets, south side of station. By order of mortgagee.

REDMIRE ESTATE. Brick Bottages, fronting Croydon-avenue, south side of line. Key at Mrs. Ayres', next door. By order of mortgagee.

BLUE MOUNTAINS. Acre Block, being part of lot 7, fronting Homebush-road, beyond the residence of J. B. Jones, Esq., handy to Redmire and Homebush Stations. Mortgagee's sale.
New and commodious HOTEL, with about 2 acres of Land, at Hazelbrook Railway Station. Immediate possession.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

PARK-ROAD, MOORE PARK.

TWO first-class RESIDENCES, in 1 or 2 lots, at our ROOMS, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 11.30 a.m. Inspection invited. Key on application.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

PEARCE'S CORNER, LANE COVE.

BROWN'S BLOCK of 170 ACRES,
by
ORDER OF THE EXECUTORS,
at our Rooms, at 11.30 a.m.,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 18th instant.
Plan on view.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.—WOODCOCK'S 10-ACRE GRANT, close to Lane Cove River, Willoughby, beyond the New Bridge.
AUCTION SALE, at our Rooms, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 11.30.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

HAZELBROOK, BLUE MOUNTAINS.

New and commodious FIRST-CLASS HOTEL at this RAILWAY PLATFORM, at our Rooms, at 11.30 a.m. TO-MORROW, FRIDAY. Immediate possession. Owner leaving for England.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

TWENTY-FIVE ACRES, Hockhardt's Grants, known as DINGLEDERRY, Cox's Point, fronting the LANE COVE RIVER, a little beyond the BRIDGE, at our Rooms, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 11.30. To close trust estate.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

LIVERPOOL-STREET, PADDINGTON,
Close to Glenmore-road, handy to City.

TWO 2-story DWELLING-HOUSES, well built of brick on stone, slate roofs, each verandah and balcony, hall, 6 rooms, bathroom, pantry, kitchen, and washhouse.
RENTAL, £138 YEARLY.
These command lovely views of the harbour and pretty points on both sides thereof. It is only a moderate walk from city, and convenient to Oxford-street tram. These are the houses nearest to Glenmore-road, and opposite "Lammermuir" mansion and grounds.
Land, 30 feet, by a great depth.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH will sell by public auction, at their Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 18th December, at 11 o'clock,
The above, recommended as residences.

Messrs. BRADLEY and SON, Margaret-street, Solicitors for Vendor

TO CLOSE ACCOUNT.

THREE HOUSES, HORDERN-STREET, NEWTOWN,
known as
WESLEY-TERRACE, Nos. 1, 3, 5.

MESSRS. RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 18th December, at 11 o'clock,
The above eligible property.

These Houses always COMMAND GOOD TENANTS, and are in an IMPROVING LOCALITY.

Terms at Sale.

RANDWICK LAND SALE,
on the Ground, at 3 p.m.,
NEXT SATURDAY, 19th DECEMBER.

CARRINGTON HEIGHTS,
22 lots fronting
GREVILLE-STREET, FERN-STREET, &c., &c.,
opposite Bishopscourt Estate and Mr. Tayt's new residence.
Easy terms. Lithos. Torrens' Title.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

NEXT SATURDAY, 19th DECEMBER.

POPULAR SUMMER HILL.

LIBERAL SUBDIVISION
of portions of well-known Underwood Estate,
CLOSE to RAILWAY STATION,
with good frontages and great depths.

TORRENS' TITLE.

Frontages are to PARRAMATTA-ROAD, DOVER-STREET, KENSINGTON-ROAD, &c.

ALL CAPITAL BUILDING SITES.

AUCTION SALE,
ON THE GROUND,
NEXT SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, at 3 p.m.

The allotments comprise the following in
UNDERWOOD ESTATE.

SECTION 4.—Lot 1 of 80 feet to PARRAMATTA-ROAD, depth of 200 feet along SLOANE-STREET
(a valuable key corner)
Lots 2, 11 to 15, each 50 feet to the Parramatta-road, depth 200 feet
Lot 19 (a corner), 50 feet x 200 feet to DOVER-STREET.
SECTION 5.—Lots 13 and 16, each 55 feet 7½ inches to GROSVENOR-CRESCENT (facing railway), by varying great depths.

UNDERWOOD ESTATE, NEAR PARK,
and opposite Dobroyd Paddock.
SECTION 14.—Lot 16, having 50 feet to Parramatta-road x 200 feet, next to the corner of Chandos-street.

TITLES are TORRENS' ACT.
LITHOGRAPHS READY.
TERMS very LIBERAL, at Sale.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

SOUTH SCARBOROUGH, LADY ROBINSON'S BEACH,
via
RAILWAY to ROCKDALE, then by SAYWELL'S TRAM.

LARGE and VALUABLE BLOCK, in area 3 acres 1 rood and 12¾ perches, being lots 5 to 7 and 26 to 30, sec. 5 of this celebrated estate, having frontages of 330 feet to ALFRED-STREET and 330 feet to FREDERICK-STREET, depth through of 489 feet.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions as above to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on MONDAY, 21st DECEMBER, at 11 o'clock,
The above large area, close to this famous beach, and to a proposed tramline. Plan on view. Torrens' title.

AUBURN HILL ESTATE, AUBURN.
Early selections in this healthy, improving suburb.
SECTION B.—Lots 55 to 56, each 40 feet frontage to Union-road, and lots 89 to 35, immediately at the rear, facing Provincial-street, depth right through 260½ feet.
SECTION C.—Lots 72 to 80, and No. 68, mostly 40 feet each, fronting Provincial-street, depths 140 feet. Lot 61 (a corner), 45 10-12th feet x 132 feet.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH will sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on MONDAY, 21st DECEMBER, at 11 o'clock,
The above good allotments.

CENTRAL SMALL CITY DWELLING.
No. 231, Liverpool-street, north side, a few yards east of Palmer-street.

It is built of brick on stone foundation, slate roof, contains hall, 5 rooms, kitchen with gas stove, and bathroom (plunge and shower), copper, yard, &c.; connected with sewer, gas is laid on and the fittings also; chandelier and two bookcases go with.

The Land has 14 feet 10 inches frontage, with a depth extending to a right-of-way.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on MONDAY, 21st December, at 11 o'clock,
The above substantial, neat, and comfortable residence, Darlinghurst, handy to Oxford-street, and business centre.

Inspection invited. Torrens' Title.

CARRINGTON HEIGHTS, Randwick.—Grand Views. Sale next SATURDAY. RICHARDSON and WRENCH.
SUMMER HILL.—Good SITES, next SATURDAY; easy terms. RICHARDSON and WRENCH.
LOOK OUT FOR CARRINGTON HEIGHTS.
MANLY, LOVELY MANLY.
HUNTLEY and BARNARD,
161, Pitt-street.

AUCTIONEERS' NOTICE.

THE SALE OF PROPERTIES
advertised for
SATURDAY NEXT, DEC. 19,
is
POSTPONED until SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1886.

HUNTLEY and BARNARD,
Central Property Exchange,
161, Pitt-street.

CONTINUATION SALE, by REQUEST.

NEXT SATURDAY. NEXT SATURDAY.

FAIRY BOWER HEIGHTS.
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MANLY, MANLY, MANLY,
adjoining the
SEMINARY GROUNDS
and
PALACE
of
HIS EMINENCE THE CARDINAL.

HUNTLEY and BARNARD have been instructed to sell by public auction, on the Ground,
SATURDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 19,
at half-past 3 o'clock,
This Magnificent Property,
the
CREME DE LA CREME
of
that most popular MARINE RETREAT,
subdivided into building sites by Mr. Surveyor C. A. Atchison, 141, Pitt-street, having frontages to
ADDISON-ROAD,
REDDALL-STREET, and
COLLEGE-STREET.

This property overlooks FAIRY BOWER and Shelly Beach, and is unique in its beauty.

LITHOGRAPHS READY.

SPECIAL STEAMER. FREE TICKETS.

TITLE, BASSETT-DARLEY ESTATE.

C. M. Dunn, Esq., solicitor.

Special Terms:—5 per cent. deposit, and the balance by 20 equal quarterly instalments,
with 6 per cent. interest added.

Auctioneers' Office—161, Pitt-street.

Also, at MANLY,
the SAME AFTERNOON,
in the
CLIFTON HEIGHTS ESTATE.

2 GRAND CORNER ALLOTMENTS,
Darley-road and Ashburner-street,
being LOTS 1 and 27, Sec. 3 and 1 respectively.

And LOT 23, Sec. 1.

These allotments are choice, and well worth attention.

HUNTLEY and BARNARD will sell the above, on the Ground, at the close of the sale of FAIRY BOWER HEIGHTS, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, December 19.

MANLY, LOVELY MANLY.

VERY CHOICE BUILDING SITES.

HUNTLEY and BARNARD have been instructed to sell by auction, on the ground, on SATURDAY afternoon, December 19, at 4.30,
4 grand building sites, each 66 x 130, situate at the corner of Addison-road and Stuart-street, opposite the residence of — Watson, Esq.
Also,
1 large allotment, fronting Wentworth-street, 132 x 156, near the Ocean Beach.

Terms for above, ¼ cash, balance 6, 12, and 18 months.
Title, Bassett-Darley Estate.

Also,
Lot 18 sec. 1 of CLIFTON HEIGHTS subdivision, having 50 feet frontage to Ashburner-street, by 150 feet depth.

Title, Bassett-Darley Estate.
TERMS, CASH.

These lots are well selected, and command extensive harbour views.
Auctioneers' Office, Central Property Exchange, 161, Pitt-street.

NEW BRIGHTON ESTATE.

LADY ROBINSON'S BEACH.

VIA ROCKDALE STATION
(Illawarra railway line)
and SAYWELL'S TRAMWAY.

CHOICE WATER FRONTAGES.

CHOICE WATER FRONTAGES.

SPLENDID LEVEL BUILDING SITES,
with large frontages and great depths, overlooking
BOTANY BAY
and
OUT THROUGH THE BOTANY HEADS TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN.

Also from this lovely spot can be seen Captain Cook's monument at KURNEL, the historic landing-place of the renowned discoverer; also LA PEROUSE, the HEIGHTS of RANDWICK, WAVERLEY, and WOOLLAHRA.

HUNTLEY and BARNARD have been instructed to sell this very unique property, on the ground, on SATURDAY AFTERNOON, January 9, 1886.

It is situate at the CORNER of BAY-STREET, and FRONTS the GRAND PARADE, which are traversed by SAYWELL'S TRAMWAY LINE, by means of which it is possible to leave the city on the Illawarra Railway and be conveyed to the estate in 20 minutes.
The Railway Service is already of a very accommodating character, there being 16 trains daily; and the number must soon be increased, as population is settling very rapidly all along the Illawarra railway suburbs.
No one can speak definitely as to the future of this locality; but it does not require a PROPHET to foresee that this lovely spot will soon rival Manly, and at no very distant date outrival Brighton in England, with its many grand terraces, parades, and splendid bathing and boating-houses.
With characteristic enterpr

Funerals.

THE FRIENDS of Mrs. RICHARD WILLIAM CONWELL are respectfully requested to attend the Funeral of her dearly-beloved HUSBAND, Richard William Conwell, to move from his late residence, 41, Alldersen-street, off Kettle-street, Redfern, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 1.30, p.m. J. and G. SHYING, Undertakers.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. J. CONWELL are requested to attend the Funeral of their late dearly-beloved BROTHER, Richard William Conwell, to move from his late residence, 41, Alldersen-street, off Kettle-street, Redfern, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 1.30, p.m. J. and G. SHYING, Undertakers.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. HENRY CONWELL, are requested to attend the Funeral of their late dearly-beloved BROTHER Richard William Conwell, to move from his late residence, 41, Alldersen-street, off Kettle-street, Redfern, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 1.30, p.m. J. and G. SHYING, Undertakers.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WM. MEADOWS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late BROTHER-IN-LAW, Mr. Richard Wm. Conwell; to move from his late residence, 41, Alderson-street, Redfern, THIS DAY, at 2 p.m., for Necropolis.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. AMBROSE DONOVAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late BROTHER-IN-LAW, Mr. Richard William Conwell; to move from his late residence, 41, Aldermie-street, Redfern, THIS DAY, at 2 p.m., for Necropolis.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOSEPH LEVY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved CHILD; to move from his residence, 81, Albion-street, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock.

THE FRIENDS of the deceased Mrs. MARGARET HUNTER, relict of the late John Hunter, are respectfully invited to attend her Funeral; to move from her son's residence, 26, Zetland-terrace, Walker-street, Redfern, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis. Robert F. Wood and Co., Undertakers, 807, George-street South; and Balmain.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOHN HUNTER, Joiner, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved Mother, Mrs. Margaret Hunter; to move from his residence, 26, Zetland-terrace, Walker-street, Redfern, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis. R. F. Wood and Co., Undertakers, 807, George-st. S.; and Darling-st., Balmain.

THE FUNERAL of the late Mrs. LYALL SCOTT will leave 41, Cumberland-street, at 2.30 p.m. THIS DAY, the 17th December, for North Shore Cemetery.

THE REMAINS of the late Mrs. LYALL SCOTT will be conveyed to St. Philip's Church, on the way to North Shore Cemetery.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOHN MILSTED are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of his deceased beloved WIFE, Elizabeth; the procession to move from his residence, Gordon-street, Paddington, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at quarter to 3 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. H. MASON, Undertaker, 74, Oxford-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. THOMAS WHIDDON (of the firm of Whiddon and Nesmith) are invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved MOTHER; to move from his residence, Underwood-street, Paddington, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 3 o'clock, to Waverley Cemetery. CHARLES KINSELA, Undertaker, 116, Oxford-st., nr. Crown-st.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM LEGGO are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Grace; to move from his residence, Leinster-street, Paddington, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. R. B. CROPLEY and CO., Undertakers, Harris-street, Sydney, and 45, Glebe Point-road.

THE FRIENDS of WILLIAM THOMAS, ALBERT, and GEORGE LEGGO are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved MOTHER; to move from their father's residence, Leinster-street, Paddington, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. R. B. CROPLEY and CO., Undertakers, Harris-street, Sydney.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. GEORGE FIELD are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved DAUGHTER, Annie Elizabeth; to move from his residence, 501, Crown-street, Surry Hills, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis. J. and G. SHYING and CO., Undertakers, No. 8, George-street West, and 140, Liverpool-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. ARTHUR BURRELL are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved SON, Joseph Arthur; to move from his residence, Sutherland-street, Grove, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 3 o'clock, for St. Peter's Cemetery. CHARLES BOOTH and CO., Undertakers, 168, King-street, Newtown, and Norton-st., Leich.

THE FRIENDS of GEORGE ALBERT and HENRY THOMAS LEGGO are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved GRANDMOTHER; to move from her late residence, Leinster-street, Paddington, TO-MORROW, Thursday, at 3 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.

Personal.

DEUTSCHER TURNVERRIN.—*Diejenigen Herren*, die sich für die Gründung eines Deutschen Turnvereins interessiren, sind ersucht Name und addresse zu senden nach. Turner, Herald Office.

FROM MICHAEL CASEY, Glenmore-road, to JOHN BYAN, Frederickton, Macleay River,—Case gone for you by the Woodbourne.

H. J. E. BARLOW will hear of something to his advantage by addressing H. D. B., care of Messrs. J. and A. Brown, Sydney and Newcastle, N. S. W.

IF this should meet the eye of DAVID DAVIES, St. Dogmells, Wales, his cousin Thomas Lewis, of Melbourne, would like to see him at No. 1 Coffee Palace.

IF Miss ANNE O'NEIL, late of 106, John-street, Pyrmont, will kindly communicate with Box 186, General Post Office, immediately, she will hear of something to her advantage.

IF this should meet the eye of JOHN RIGG, formerly of Carlisle, left London 20 years ago, was at Gulgong 11 years ago, will correspond with James Armstrong, his nephew, he will be glad to hear from him. Address Wickham, Post-office, Newcastle, New South Wales.

MR. F——T.,—Have you left town? Sorry, too late: Monday morn. and night. A., P. O., Redfern.

MR. SPEIGHT, Brewer, from Dunedin, N. Z.,—Please call 141, York-street.

MRS. MEDLEY, call at General Post Office for a letter: urgent.

MR. CHADWICK, of Missenden-road, Camperdown, late of 506, George-street,—Please send address to 32, Pitt-street, Redfern, will hear of friends.

PERSON who took KEY of Fareourt, Erskineville-road, Macdonaldtown, return same at once to Rochester.

THOMAS KOHEN or KOKEN, of Paddington,—Call on Mr. Casey, 5, Bourke-st., Woolloomooloo. Important.

Lost and Found.

LEFT in Pyrmont 'bus, Monday, Parcel containing boots, &c. Kindly leave at 'bus office for F. B. Reward.

LOST, from Edgecliff Post-office, Woollahra, Scotch TERRIER, blue, tan face and feet, very timid. Reward.

LOST, COW, branded JC on left hip. £1 reward. Mrs. Byrnes, 16, Judge-street, Woolloomooloo.

LOST or Stolen, a dark-brown draught Mare, tear in upper lip, skin off hip. A. Walker, Brown-street, Paddington.

LOST, Schooner's BOAT, branded J. Anderson, Newcastle, on seats; £1 reward at Kethel's Wharf, Market-st.

LOST, Silver WATCH and CHAIN, between Carrington Hall, Castlereagh-street, and Wynyard-square. Finder will receive a liberal reward on returning to 36, Wynyard-square.

LOST, draught bay MARE, black points. Reward £1 will be paid; if stolen £5. P. Irwin, master quarryman, Pyrmont. Branded GT.

LOST, December 15, between Woodlands and pier, Manly, Gold CHAIN, Slide, and Hair Locket, with inscription. Reward, Darby, Manly; or Church and School Land Office, Young-street, Sydney.

LOST, 2 Memorandum BOOKS, Herald and E. N.; supposed to be left in Forest Lodge tram, about 8 or 9 o'clock. Reward on returning to G. G. Olds, news agent, 201, George-street West.

LOST.—Left in railway train, a Tin CASE, containing medical diplomas, &c., of no use to any but owner. All Colonial Medical Boards notified of loss. Handsome Reward if left with Mr. Porter, chemist, New Canterbury-road, Petersham; or Dr. Deck, 16, O'Connell-street.

LOST.—CAUTION TO TRADESMEN and Others.—Lost, on Tuesday afternoon, CHEQUE for £50, drawn by Sydney Burdekin on Australian Joint Stock Bank, Haymarket, No. 313869, and dated 14th December, 1885. Payment stopped. £1 reward on bringing same to Mr. BURDEKIN, 195, Macquarie-street.

PERSON who took Tricycle from little boy, Hyde Park, yesterday, please return same save trouble, to 44, College-st.

PERSON who stopped roan HORSE, JEW near shoulder, Tuesday night, return same W. Elliss Florenceville, 68, Westmoreland-street, Forest Lodge.

STRAYED, a brown HORSE, with scalding in shoulder. Finder will be rewarded on returning same to Gough and Blow, produce merchants, Paddington.

TO DRAPERS.—Lost or Misdelivered, a Parcel containing laces and grossamers. Apply Crawshaw and Co., Moore-st.

THE Public are Cautioned against negotiating a CHEQUE, No. 480165, dated November 24, value £100, drawn on E., S., and A. C. Bank, by James Wilson, in favour of H. S. Ottewill, same having been lost or stolen.

TWO POUNDS REWARD.—Lost, on Thursday, a dark brown MARE, branded on near shoulder like 48. Any person bringing the same to Mr. Johnston, Chapel-street, Canterbury, or to Richard Lawson, Hillside, North Annandale, will receive the above reward.

FOUND, a black and white Terrier DOG. Apply 469, Crown-street.

FOUND, Gordon Setter SLUT; owner can have same by expenses. Apply J. Rigby, Bishop-st., Petersham.

FOUND, Sunday morning, gold BROOCH, near Charing Cross. Owner apply Tenilbar, Carrington-road, Waverley.

FOUND, an UMBRELLA, on Friday last, in the 8 o'clock morning train from Parramatta. Walter Thompson, Burwood.

STRAYED into my Paddock, a Bay HORSE, branded C7, shod with feathers, rope round the neck. W. Lees, Enfield, Liverpool-road.

STRAYED into my paddock, a Dark-brown COW. The owner can have her by paying expenses.

H. DRUMMOND.

Gladesville, December 15.

FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS,

GENTLEMEN'S ORIENT TWEED SUITS, First Quality, 27s 6d.,

GENTLEMEN'S ORIENT TWEED SUITS, Extra Quality, 32s.

GENTLEMEN'S ORIENT TWEED SUITS, Special Quality, 38s 6d.

BEST VALUE PROCURABLE IN THE COLONY.

AT DAVID JONES AND COMPANY'S

GREAT GENUINE CLEARANCE SALE.

WATER FRONTAGES.—Next SATURDAY, CARLTON PARK, Kogarah Bay. Watkin and Watkin.

THE PLATEAU, MOUNT RAMSAY, Narrabeen Lakes. Read all to-morrow's advertisements.

HOOPER'S GARDENS, Waverley, NEXT SATURDAY. Obtain tram tickets and lithos. from Mills and Pile.

XMAS NUMBER of SYDNEY MAIL, with Presentation Picture. Price, 6d.

MR. HALLEWELL will sing "Methinks I Hear," with invisible chorus, at his Concert TO-NIGHT.

Shipping.

FOR TOWNSVILLE, Taking Explosives.

The clipper Schooner MINNIE is now loading, and has space for a few tons of general cargo to Townsville Wharf at a low freight. To sail on THURSDAY, 17th DECEMBER. Apply to

BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Limited.

Cargo received at the Colonial Sugar Refining Company's Wharf, Pyrmont.

S.S. PORT VICTOR FROM LONDON.

DISCHARGING AT MOORE'S WHARF.

CONSIGNEES are requested to pass ENTRIES, presenting BILLS OF LADING, paying freight and receiving DELIVERY ORDERS at the Office of the undersigned before any cargo can be removed from the wharf.

A. M'ARTHUR and CO., Agents, 53, King-street.

Captain WILLIAMS will not be responsible for any DEBTS contracted by his crew.

BARQUE DRYAD, from HAMBURG.

CONSIGNEES of Goods ex above vessel are requested to PASS ENTRIES at once for Central Wharf.

The ship will not be responsible for loss of or damage to cargo after same is landed, and all goods impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at consignee's risk and expense.

Bills of Lading must be produced, freight paid, and delivery orders obtained from the undersigned before any goods can leave the wharf. R. EKAN and CO., Agents, 247, George-st.

Captain JENKINS will not be responsible for any debts contracted by his crew without his written authority.

BARQUE NORTHERN STAR.

FOR AUCTION SALE, at the City Mart, on FRIDAY, December 18th, at 11 o'clock.

By order of the Mortgagee.

This clipper vessel is in excellent order, was repowered in Newcastle in 1883, is now discharging a cargo of redwood, and will be ready for sea in a few days; 328 tons register, and carries a large cargo on a light draft, and shifts without ballast.

Full particulars and inventory on application,

FRASER and CO., Auctioneers, City Mart.

Inspection invited at Wentworth Wharf, Darling Harbour.

SCHOONER MAY, from Mauritius.—Consignees are requested to Pass Entries at once for Alger's Wharf. Bills of lading must be presented and freight paid before any goods can leave the wharf.

G. J. WATERHOUSE, Agent, 68, Pitt-street.

WANTED, CONSIGNEES for 100 cases K Oil, ex Buninyong, from Melbourne October 19, 1885. Imperfects.

Apply Dibbs' Bond.

WANTED, CONSIGNEE for a quantity of bundles, buckets, and tubs, ex Easterof, June 9, 1885. Imperfects.

Apply Dibbs' Bond.

FOR FREIGHT, SALE, or CHARTER.

The barquentine EDITH MAY, 218 tons register, carries 300 tons on 10ft. 6in. draft.

Apply to BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Limited.

NEWCASTLE STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Limited.

FOR SALE, FREIGHT, or CHARTER, the fast full-powered paddle steamer KEMBLA, on application to the undersigned, who is open to charter the Kembla at a very moderate rate, for either sea or harbour excursions during the Christmas and New Year Holidays.

H. D. PORTUS, Manager Newcastle S. S. Co., Limited.

Lime-street Wharf, December 16, 1885.

TONNAGE wanted for Hongkong, Shanghai, and Manilla.

LORIMER, ROME, and CO., 54, O'Connell-street.

FOR SALE, a small steam pleasure LAUNCH, in good order, nearly new, cheap. Apply Box 987, G.P.O.

FOR SALE, 24-feet half-decked Boat, CORYPHENE, coppered. Apply Box 422, G. P. O.

FOR SALE, a BOAT, with oars and sails complete. Price £12. For further particulars apply PHILLIPS and CO., 82, Castlereagh-street.

FOR SALE, small Steam LAUNCH, 20 feet long, in good order and condition; will travel about 8 miles an hour; price, £55, cash. Apply

BLACKET BROS., Architects, Bond-street.

Professions, Trades, &c.

ANY young man with small capital can learn Photography. Apply T. Z., Herald Office.

APPRENTICES required. A. Shadler, machine bread manufacturer, 73, Hunter-street.

APPRENTICES to the watchmaking wanted; age no object. Apply 567, George-street, Brickfield-hill.

A RESPECTABLE BOY wanted for warehouse. Apply after 10, Enoch Taylor and Co., 92, York-street.

ADVERTISER, having money to invest, may be advantageously consulted concerning any kind of transactions involving finance, with a view to business. Reliable and secret. Box 760, General Post Office.

AT 108, Bathurst-st., G. Institute.—Wanted, Governess, for country, French, music, drawing, and painting, 32s; N. Governess, good needlewoman, Governess and Companion, station; Pianist for music warehouse, and keep accounts, £70.

AUSTRALIAN JOINT STOCK BANK.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the position of ENGINEER to take charge of gas engine, hydraulic pump, fan, and passenger and goods lift, at the new head office, George-street. Applications must be by letter only, enclosing copies of testimonials and salary required, addressed to Mr. C. H. E. Blackmann, architect, 374, George-street, Sydney.

BAKER.—Wanted, an IMPROVER. Apply 10 a.m., A. Shadler, 73, Hunter-street.

BOOT TRADE.—Tlers-on and Clicker wanted. Johnson and Sons, 39, Park-street.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, YOUTH, can peg well. George Jones, 334, George-street West.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, a FINISHER, for E.S. Rear of 757, George-street South, opposite Christ Church.

BOY wanted, used to painting. Olivia-terrace, Brighton-street, near Petersham Station.

BRICKLAYER wanted. Apply Old Canterbury and Windsor roads, Summer Hill.

BRICKLAYERS wanted at once by A. Johnston and Co., Bungendore; good wages. Apply R. A. HERVEY, 16, Bond-street.

BOROUGH OF BATHURST.

APPLICATIONS are invited from persons competent to DRAW PLANS and SPECIFICATIONS for the Erection of GASWORKS for the city of Bathurst.

Applicants to state qualifications and enclose copies of testimonials, and to state charge for the plans and working sections, and for the superintendence of the work while in course of construction, SEPARATELY.

Applicants will also state the time required by them for the preparation of the said plans, &c.

Applications addressed to his Worship the Mayor, must be sent in on or before noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1885.

DAVID C. WILLIAMSON, Council Clerk.

Town Hall, December 12, 1885.

CANVASSERS wanted for Life Assurance; good men earn splendid salary. 90, Pitt-street, Sydney.

CARPENTER wanted. Apply on the job, Mr. Bladen's new house, Mosman's Bay.

CARPENTER wanted, to erect w.b. cottage. Apply to-night, after 6, F. Nisbet, Young-street, N. Annandale.

CARPENTERS wanted, good men. Apply, 8 o'clock, James-st., off Albert-st., Stanmore, near Church of England.

CARPENTER'S IMPROVER wanted, steady work. Apply Ward's Job, Thomas-st. New Canterbury-rd., Petsham.

COACH-TRIMMER wanted, for Brisbane. Apply P. Grimley, 69, York-street.

CLERK and Salesman wanted for an Hotel Broker's Office; must understand the business and know Sydney and suburbs well; salary, £164 a year and large bonus; no drunkards. Address Hotel Broker, Herald Office.

COACHBUILDERS' IRONMONGERY.—A smart, capable MAN wanted, to take charge of a department. All applications will be treated as strictly confidential. State terms and experience to Hickory, care of Gordon and Gotch.

COONAMBLE HOSPITAL

APPLICATIONS, with testimonials, will be received up to 23rd December, by the Committee, from legally qualified medical men, for the position of MEDICAL OFFICER to the above Institution.

Salary, £100 per annum (drugs to be provided by the Medical Officer), with right to private practice.

Arrangements may also possibly be made for attendance upon Oddfellows' Lodge.

Two medical men, brothers, in partnership, now practising in the district.

E. W. EVANS, Hon. Sec., Coonamble, N.S.W.

DRAPERS.—Wanted, a smart JUNIOR. J. H. Hoare and Co., 464, George-street.

DRAPERS.—Wanted, two Clothing HANDS. J. J. Ryan's Drapery Arcade, Haymarket.

DRAPERY.—Wanted, a good General HAND. James Johnson and Co., 243 and 245, George-street.

DRESSMAKER, for management country store; Machinist, for Balmain. 108, Bathurst-st., G. Institute.

DUPLICATE LINE, Parramatta to Penrith.—Wanted, PLATELAYERS. Apply on the works, Toongabbie.

DRESSMAKING.—Wanted, good Skirt and Body HANDS; liberal wages. Miss Sutcliffe, Charing-cross, Waverley.

DRESSMAKERS.—Body and Skirt HANDS; also APPENTICES and IMPROVERS; short hours. 3, Osborne-terrace, Nixon-street, Surry Hills, close to Crown-street tram terminus.

DRESSMAKING.—A LADY of ability as a first-class dressmaker required to take management of the dressmaking department of a city house. Sippe and Co., 388, George-street.

DRESSMAKING.—Wanted, at once, good IMPROVER, one who understands Wertheim machine. Apply to the head dressmaker, at Mrs. Palvey's, Cowper-street, directly opposite Post-office, Waverley.

DISPENSING ASSISTANT wanted, for Northern District, to keep books and compound, private surgery; a junior or apprentice preferred. Apply personally on Friday, 9 to 3, to Dr. E. Read, care of Dr. Knaggs, 16, College-street, Hyde Park.

GOVERNESS wanted, for the country; must be a good musician. Apply, enclosing colonial references only, giving full particulars as to salary, &c., to Mrs. D. F. Gibb, Wallendbeen.

HAIRDRESSERS.—Wanted, smart IMPROVER. Apply care of Saywell's, 8, Park-street.

HAIRDRESSERS.—Wanted, good HAIRCUTTER and Shaver; good wages, at once. G. Hunt, 660, George-st.

HORDERN BROTHERS, PITT-STREET.

WANTED, for our Carpet Department, first-class Outdoor UPHOLSTERER.

HORDERN BROTHERS, 178, Pitt-street.

IRONMONGER.—Wanted, first-class HAND, used to coachbuilder's ironmongery; see above. Apply to Hickory, care Gordon and Gotch.

JOBBING COMPOSITORS wanted. John Sands, 374, George-street.

JOINERS. Wanted, good MEN; none but first-class men need apply. J. Try, 235, Castlereagh-street.

JUNIOR CLERK wanted, for an office; must be young and write and spell well. Box 194, G. P. O.

JUNIOR CLERK wanted for country store. Apply by letter W. S. Friend and Co., 143, York-street.

LEGAL.—SHORTHAND WRITER wanted; good references required. Address G. P. O., Box 521.

LITHO-TRANSFERER and Pressman wanted. John Sands, George-street.

LADIES desirous to augment or make an income, can hear of a good opportunity. Apply, by letter only, to Thetis, 81, King-street.

LEGAL PARTNERSHIP. Solicitor practising in Sydney is open to offer for Partnership with another solicitor in town in established practice. Address, with name, to Lex, General Post Office.

MASONS wanted. Apply St. Patrick's, Manly Beach.

MEDICAL.—Excellent Town Connection for transfer; no premium. Medicus, P. O., William-street.

MACGREGOR, HARRIS, and CO. (Late), 266, George-street, TINSMITHS, Block IRONWORKERS, and APPRENTICES wanted. Apply at once.

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